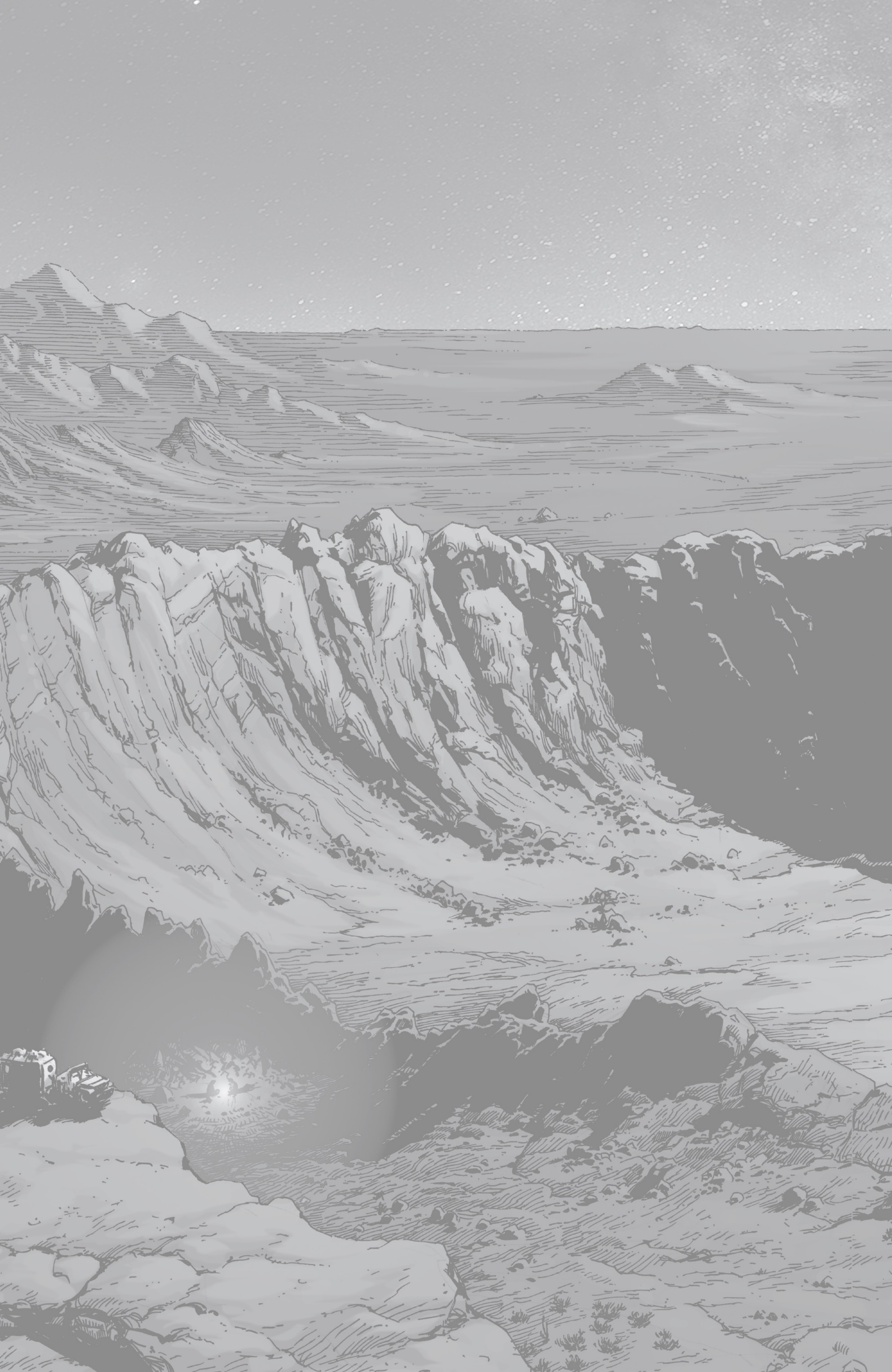


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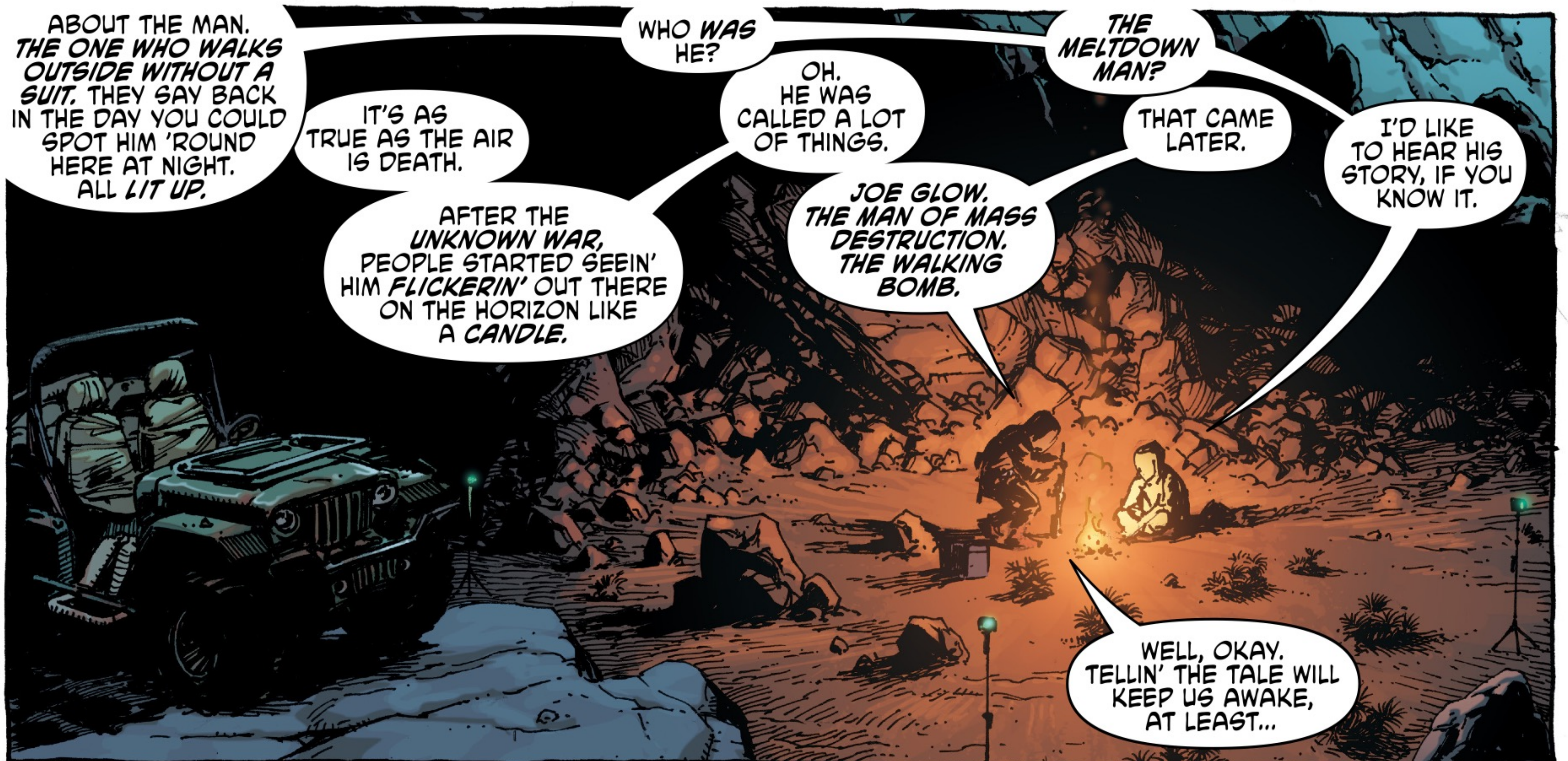
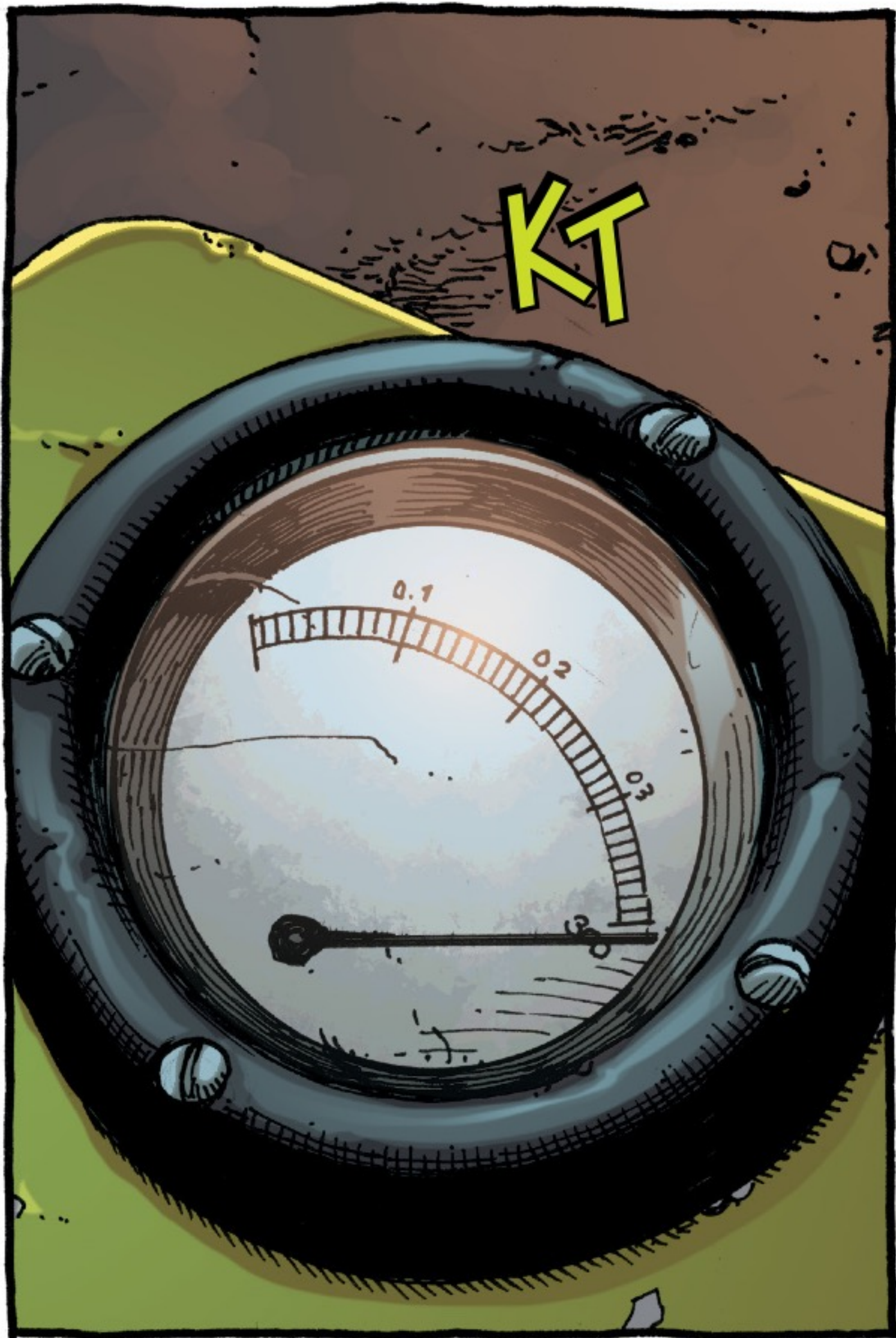
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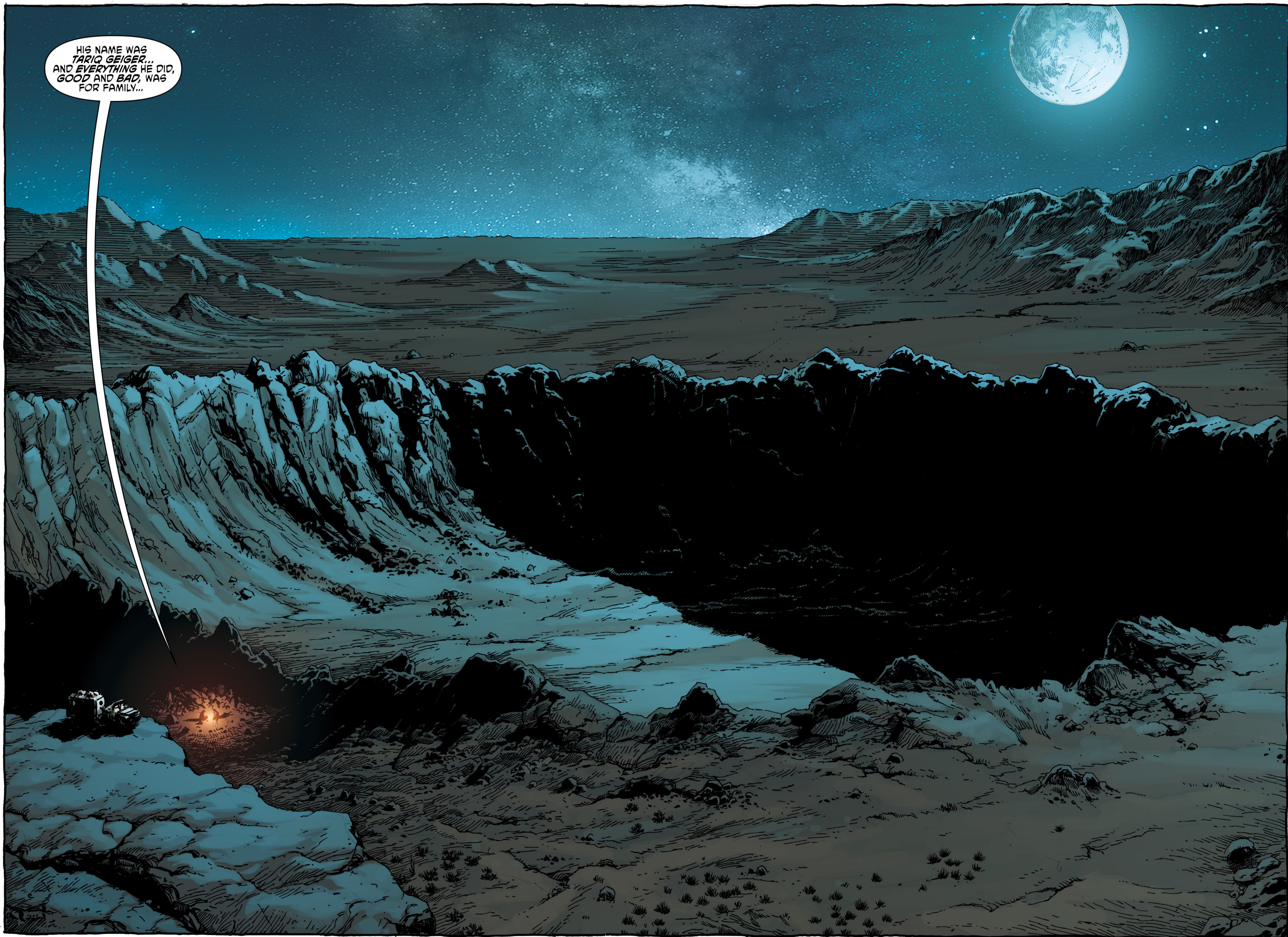


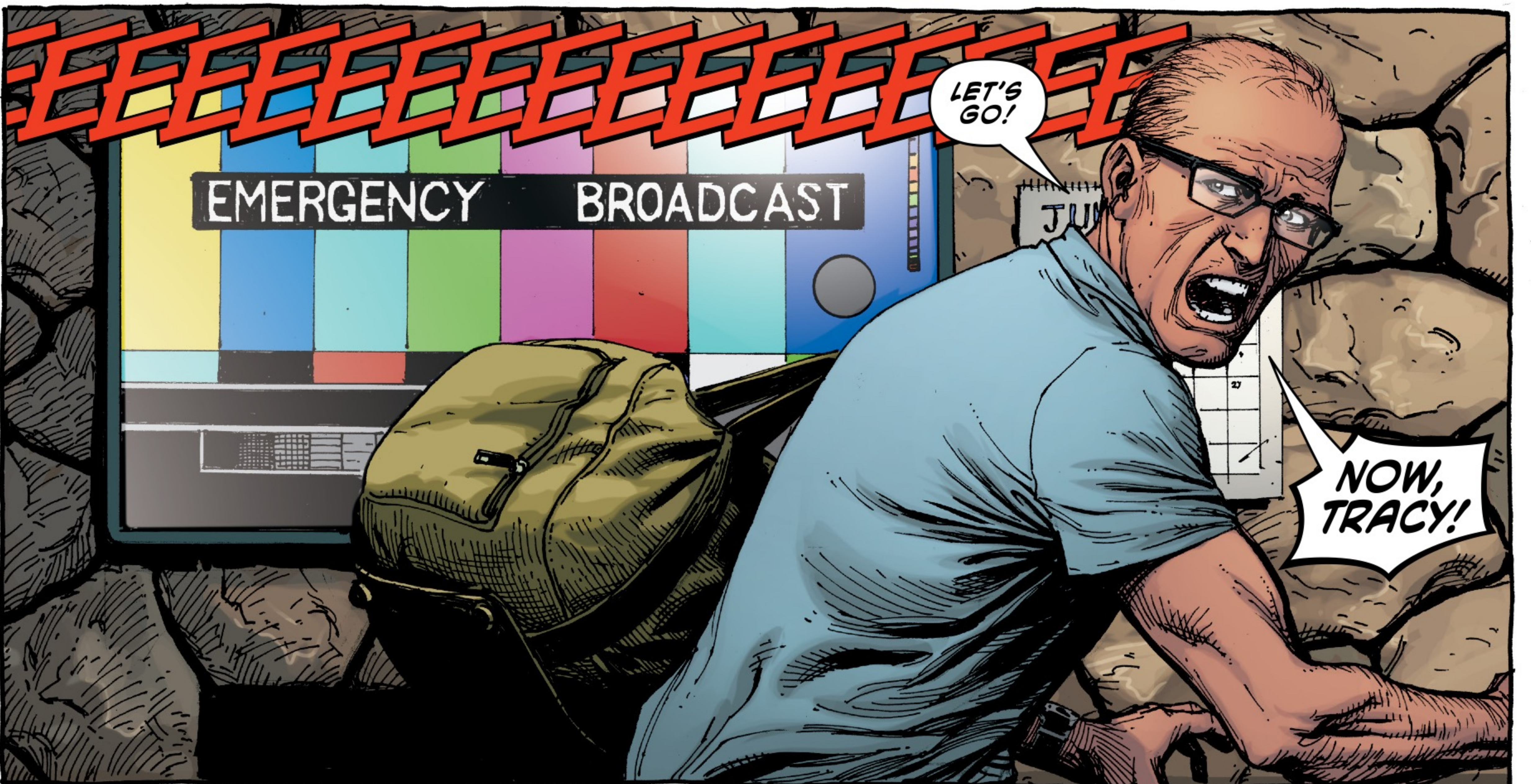
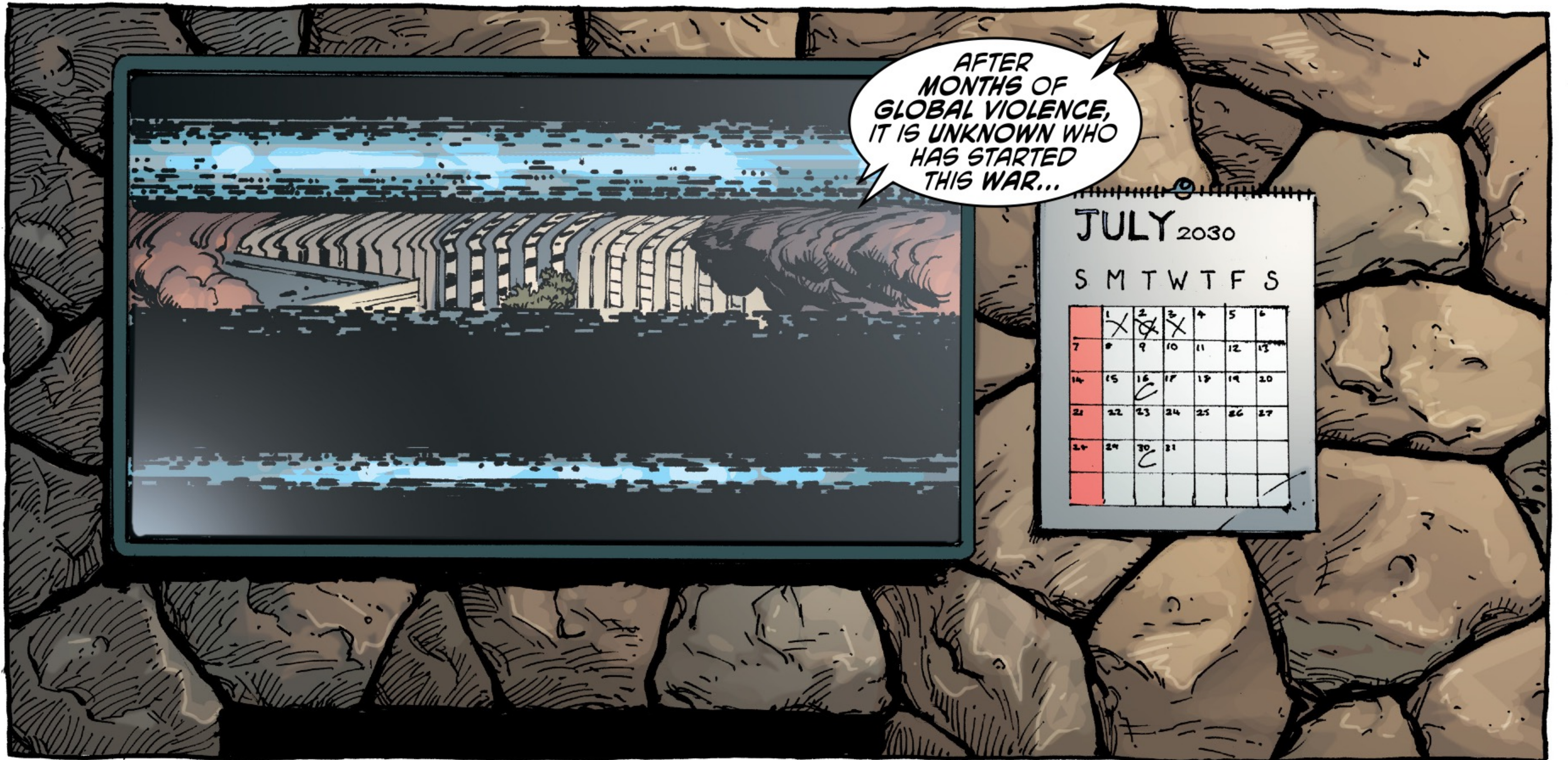
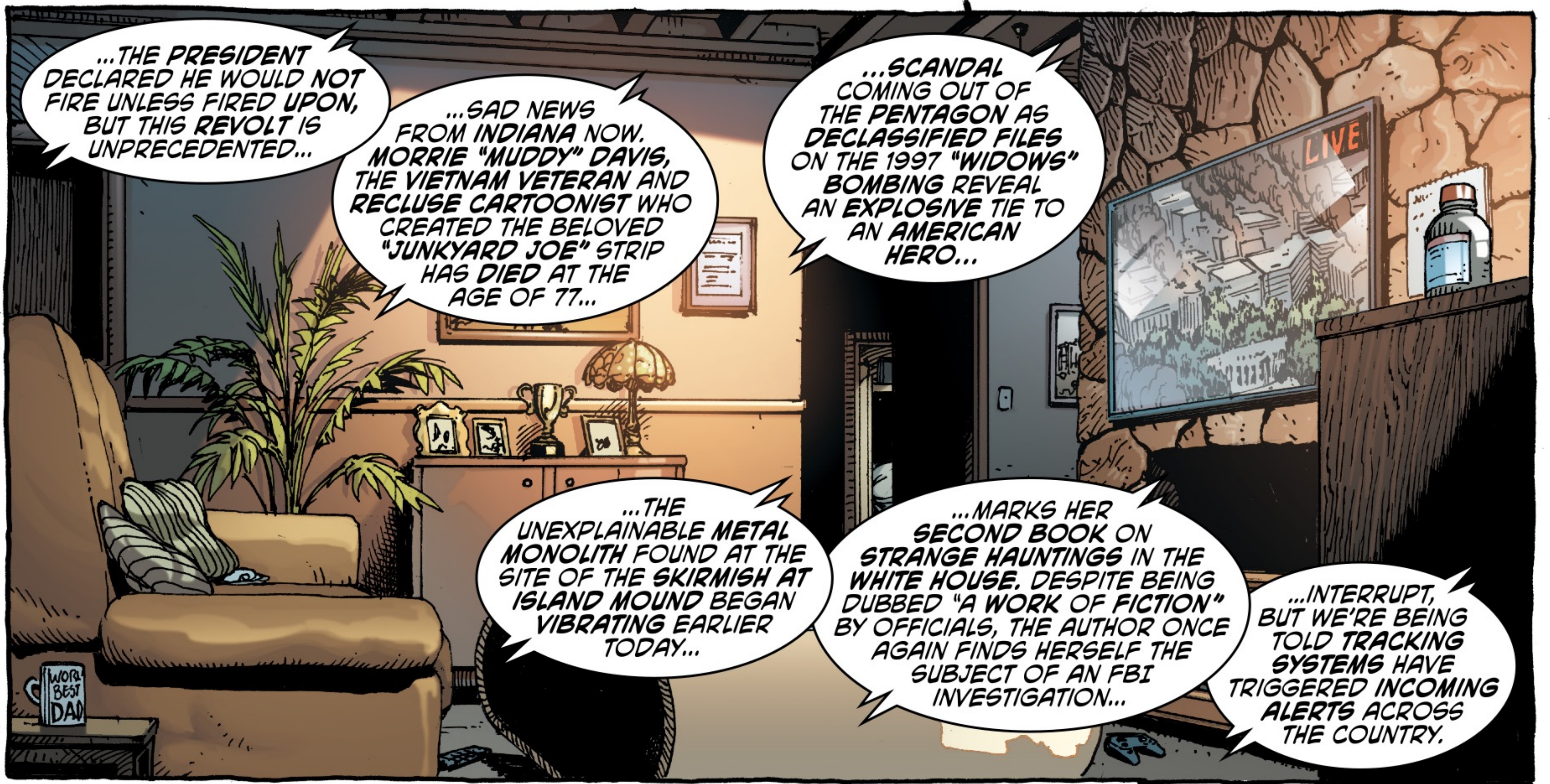
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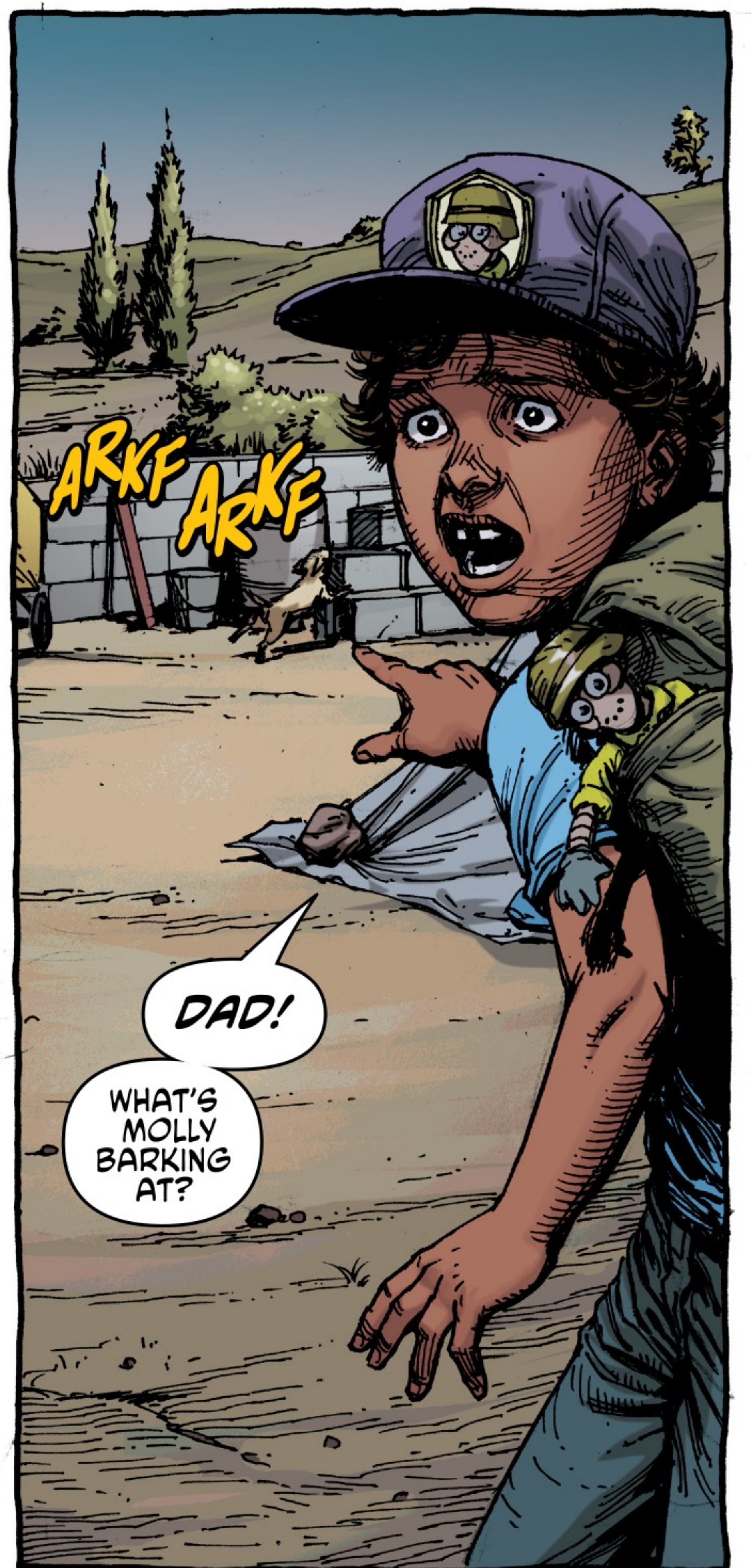
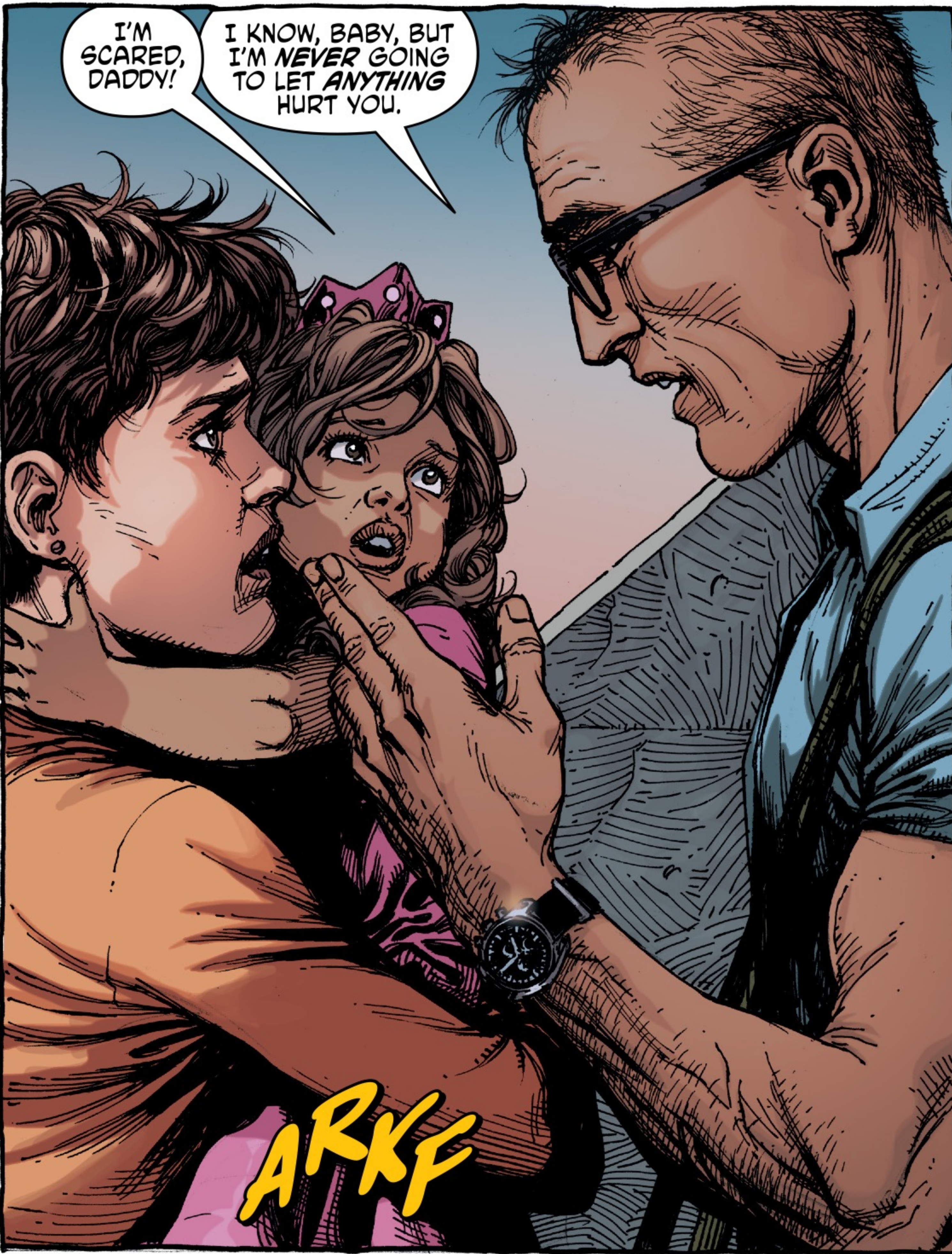
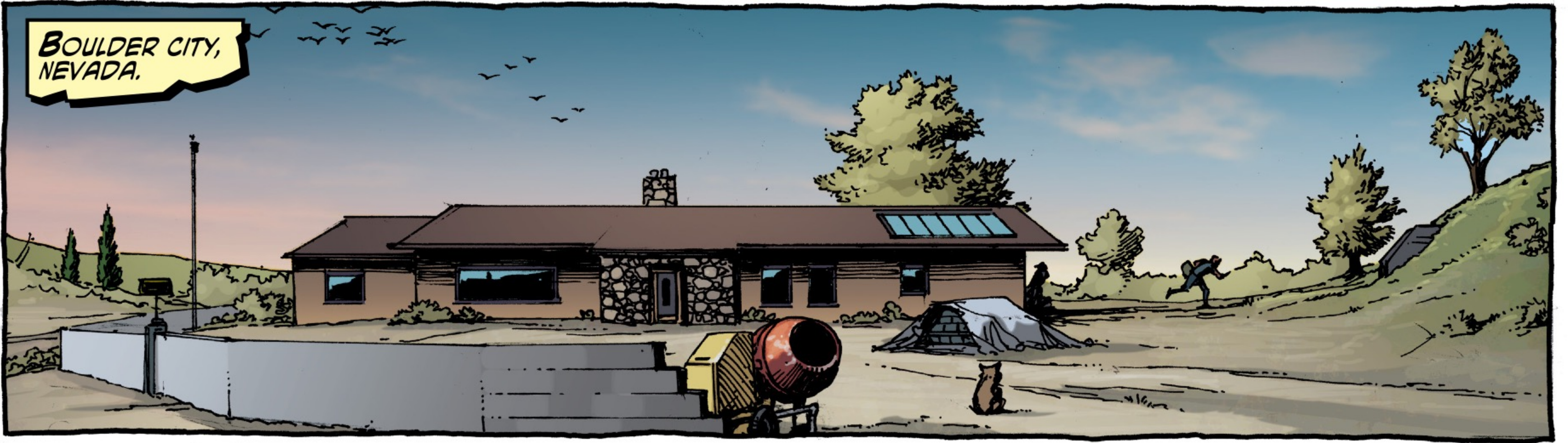


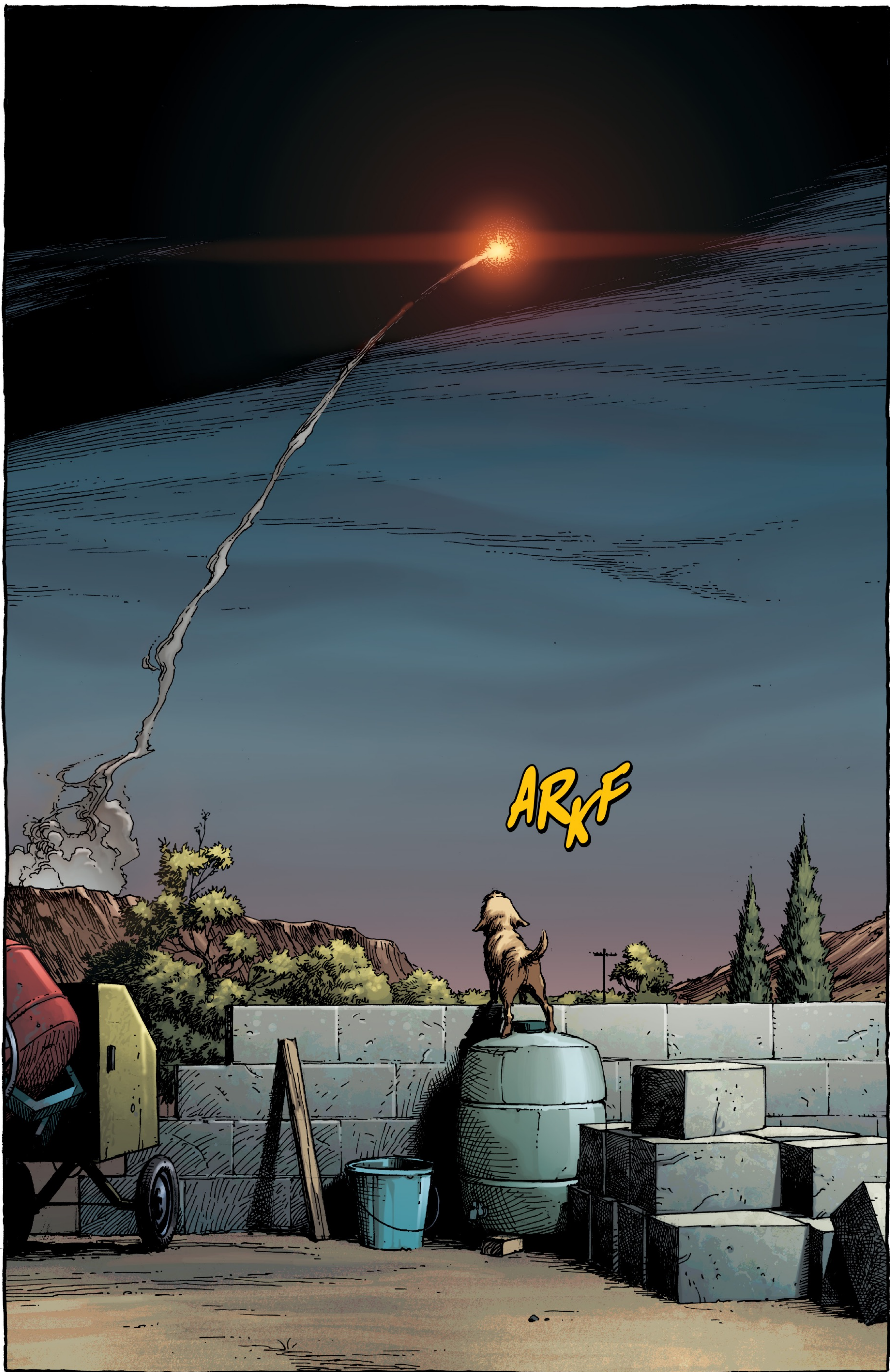


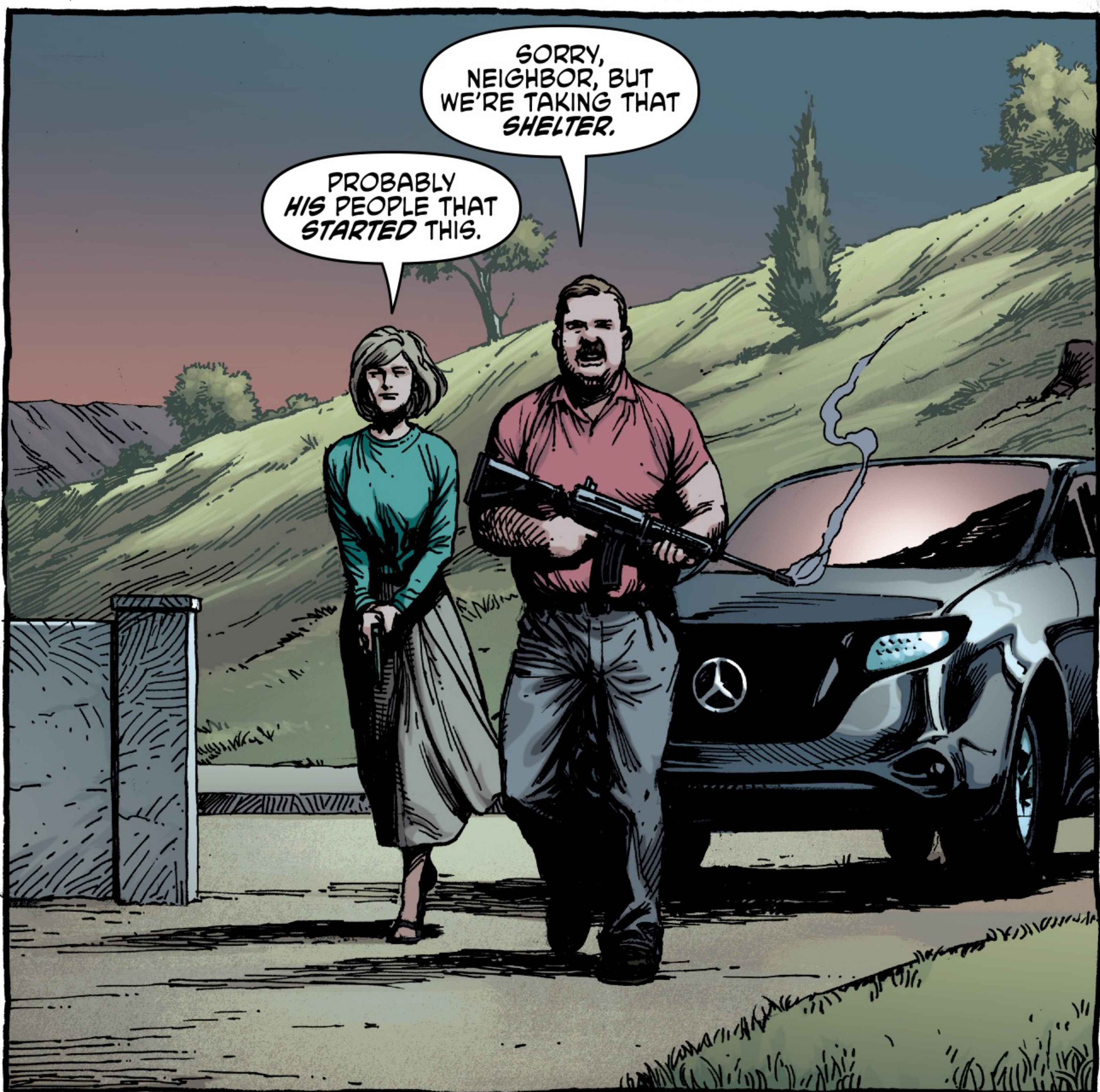
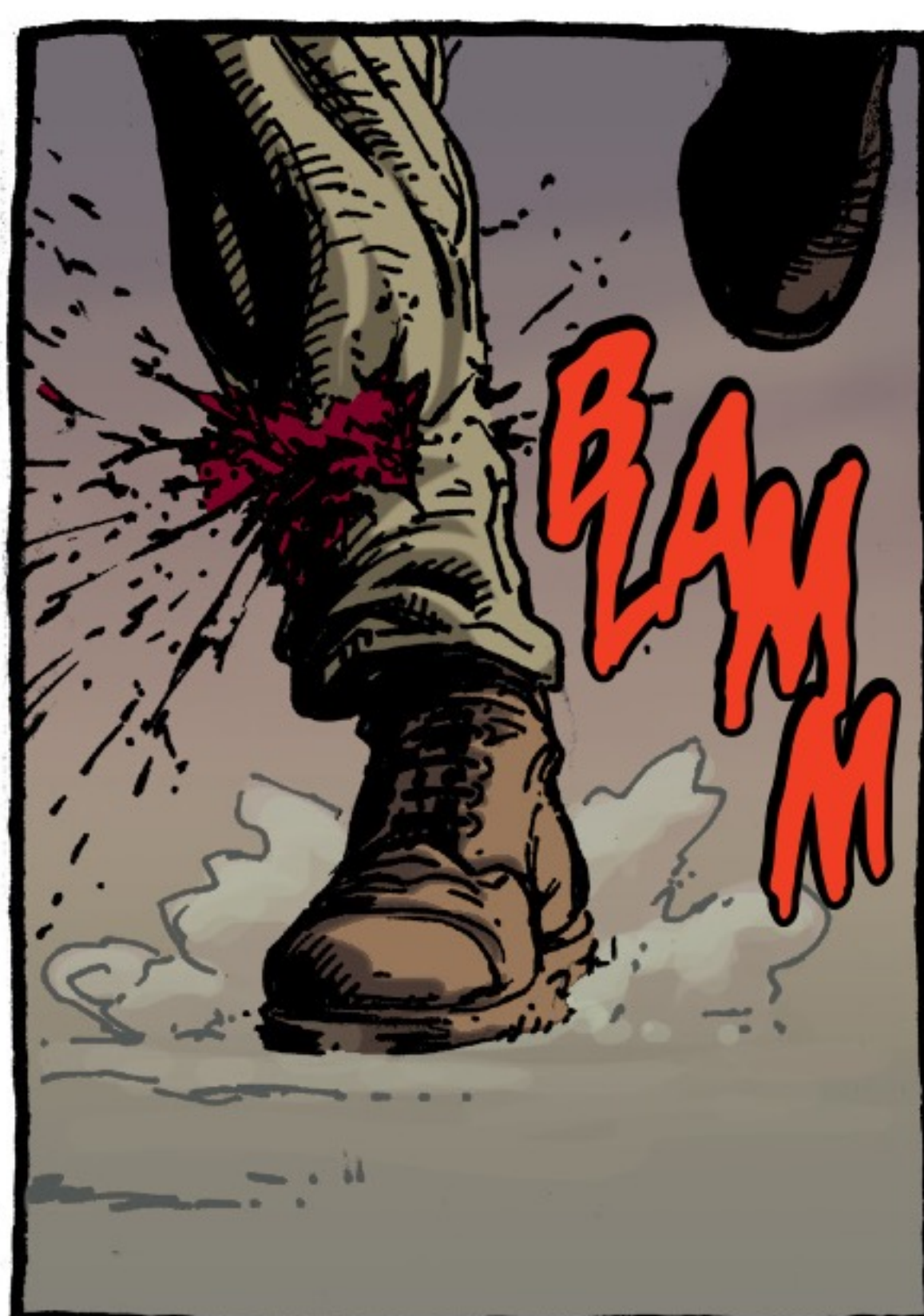
HIS NAME WAS
TARIQ GEIGER...
AND EVERYTHING HE DID,
GOOD AND BAD, WAS
FOR FAMILY...

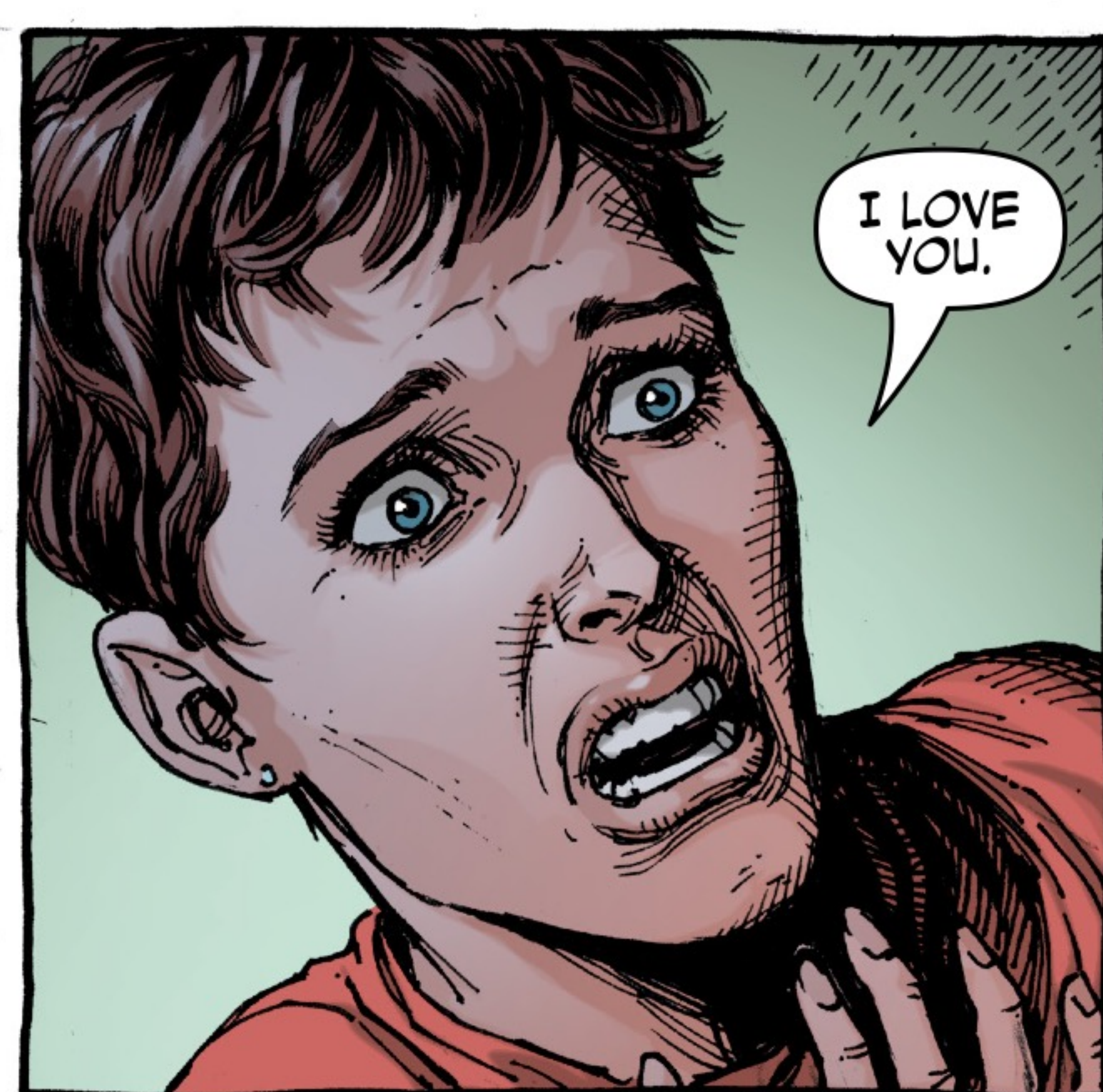


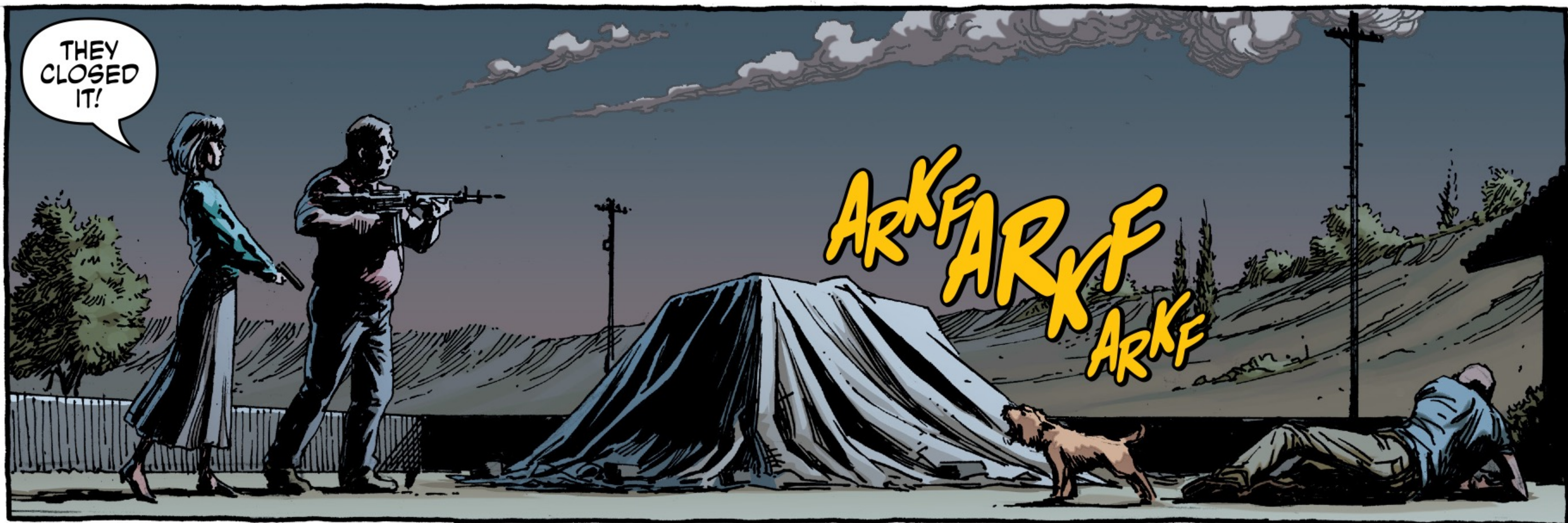


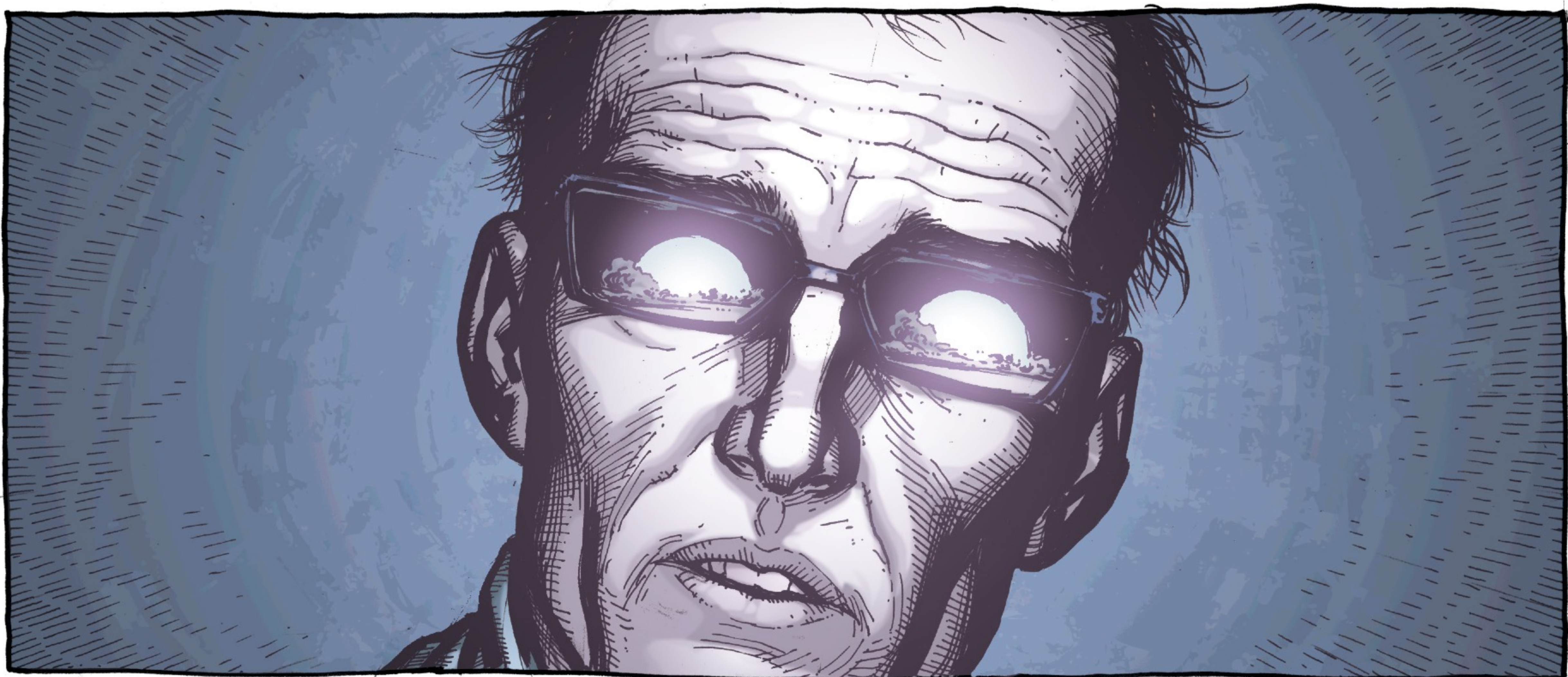


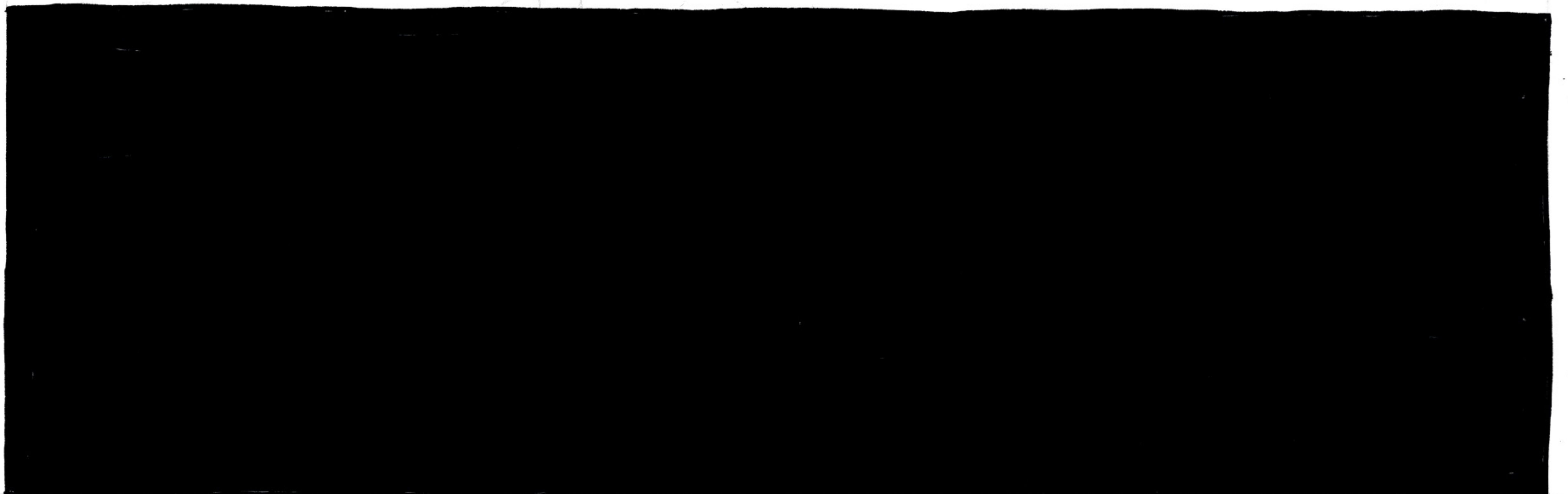
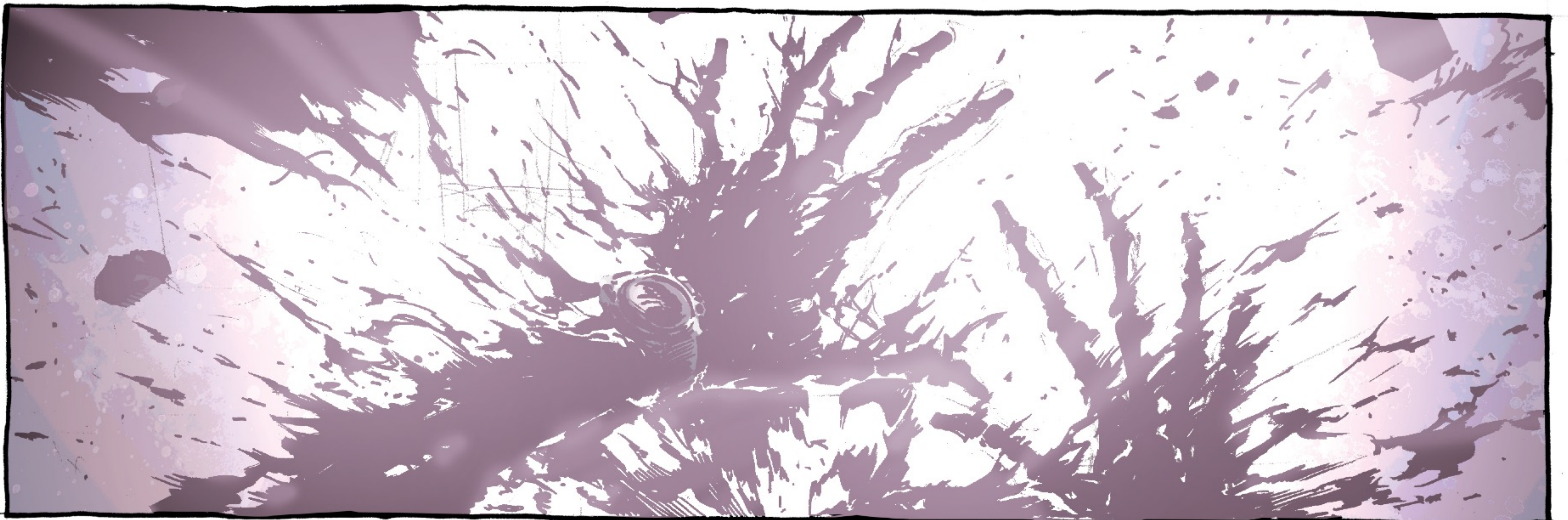




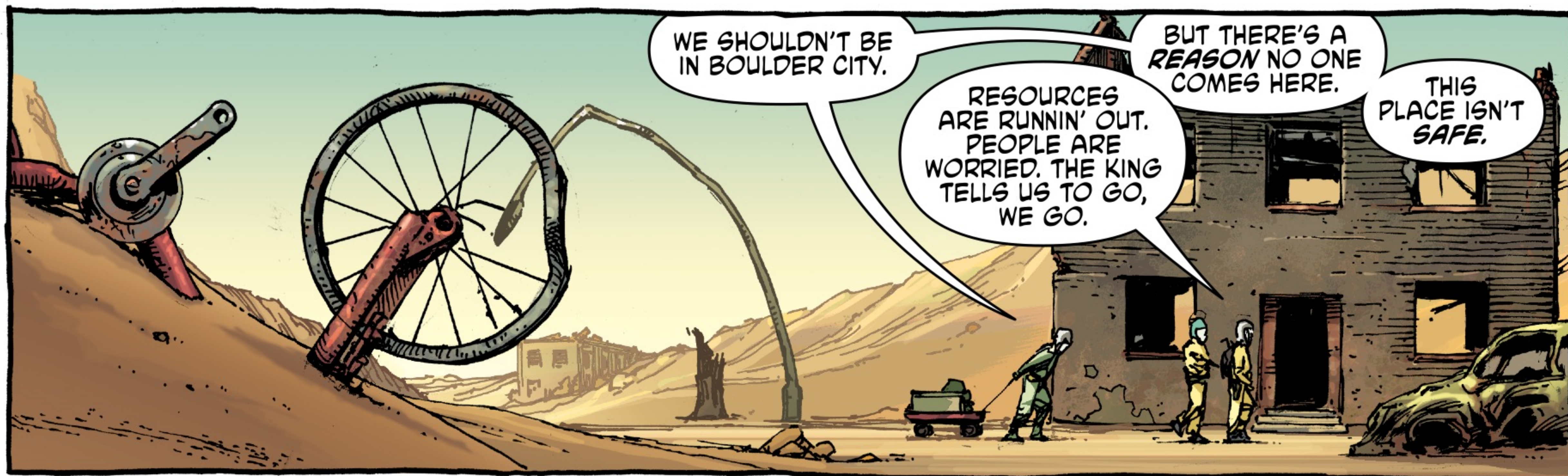


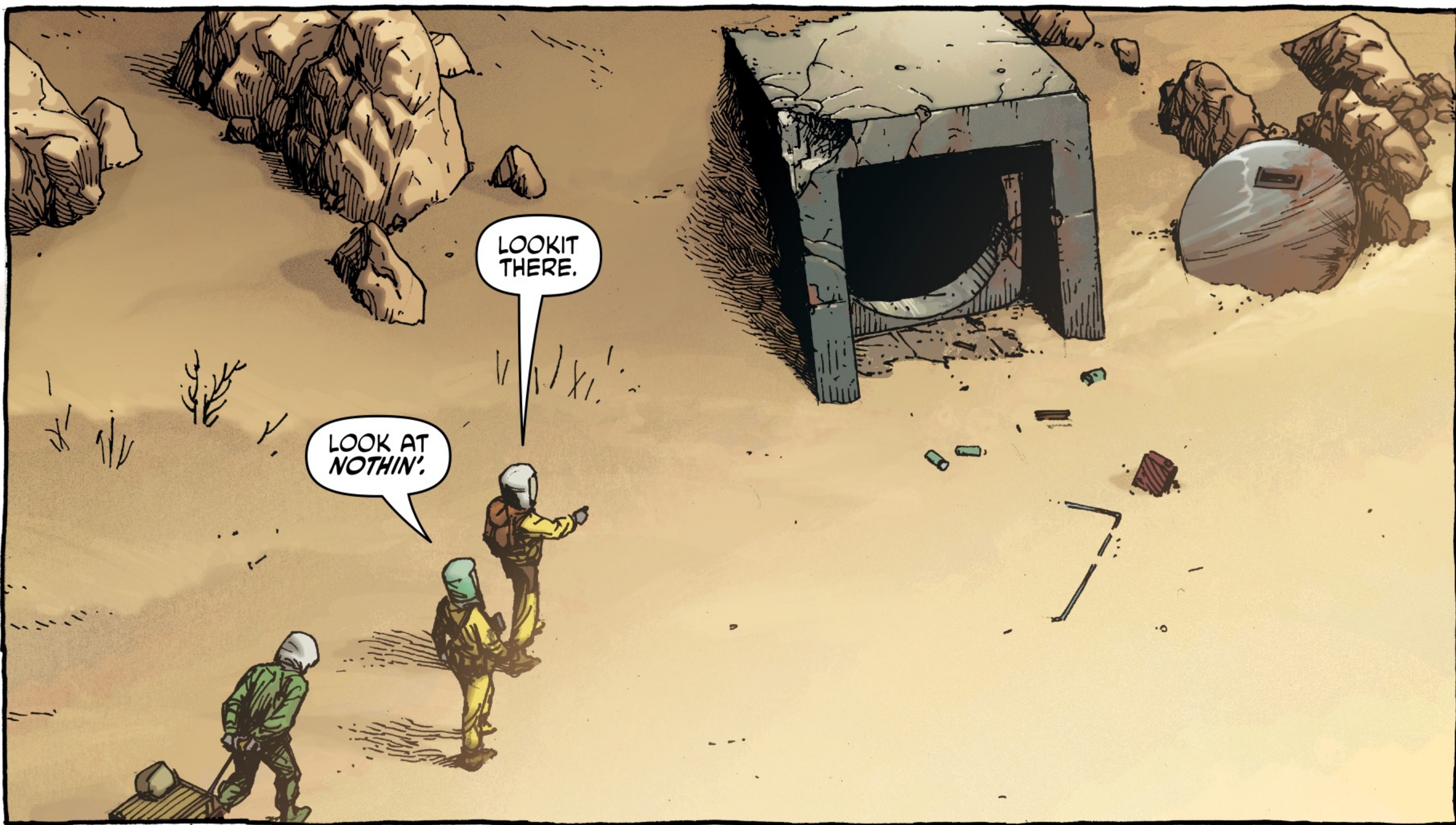




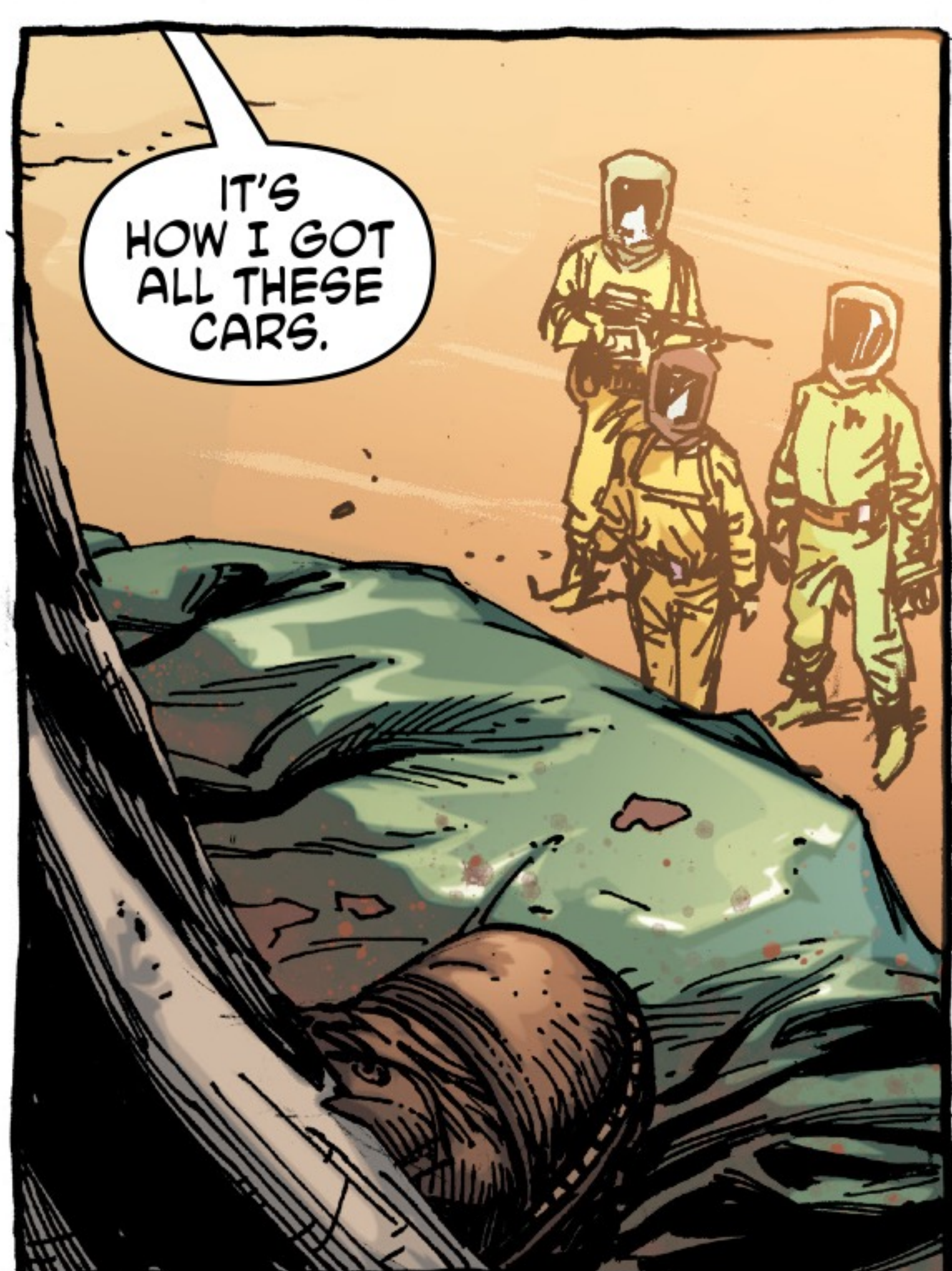


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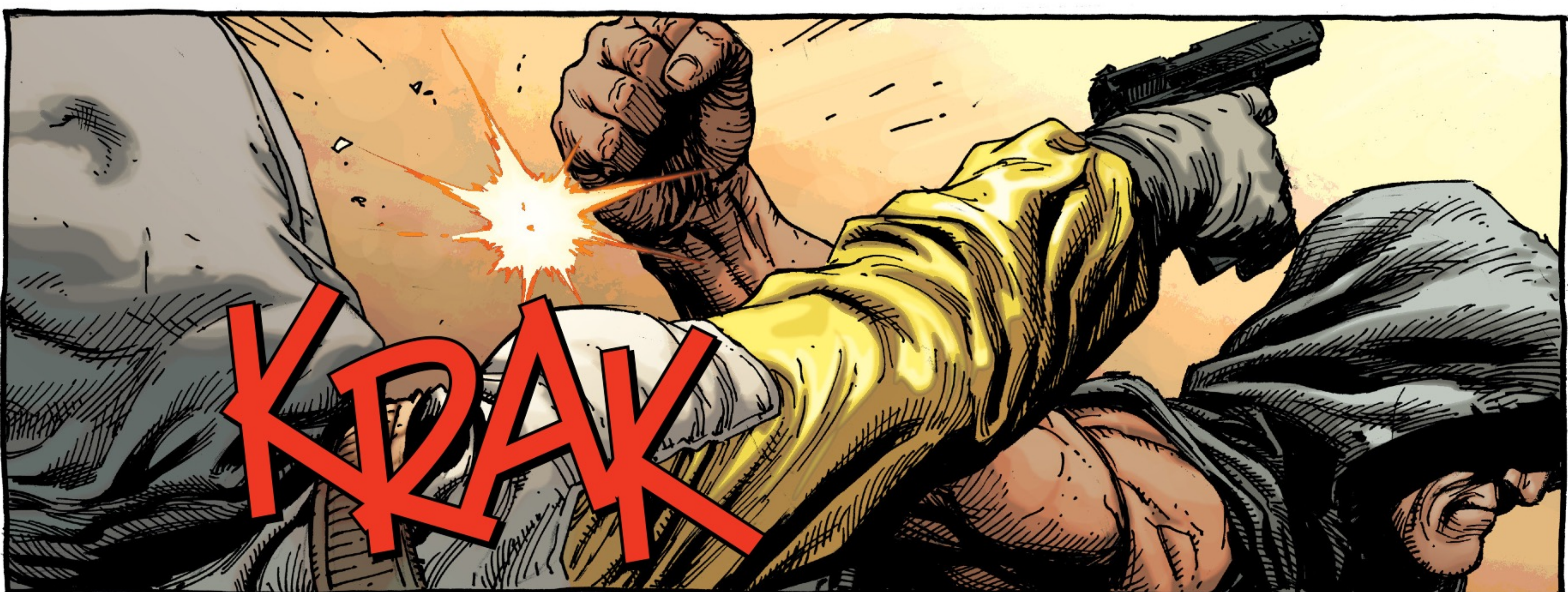
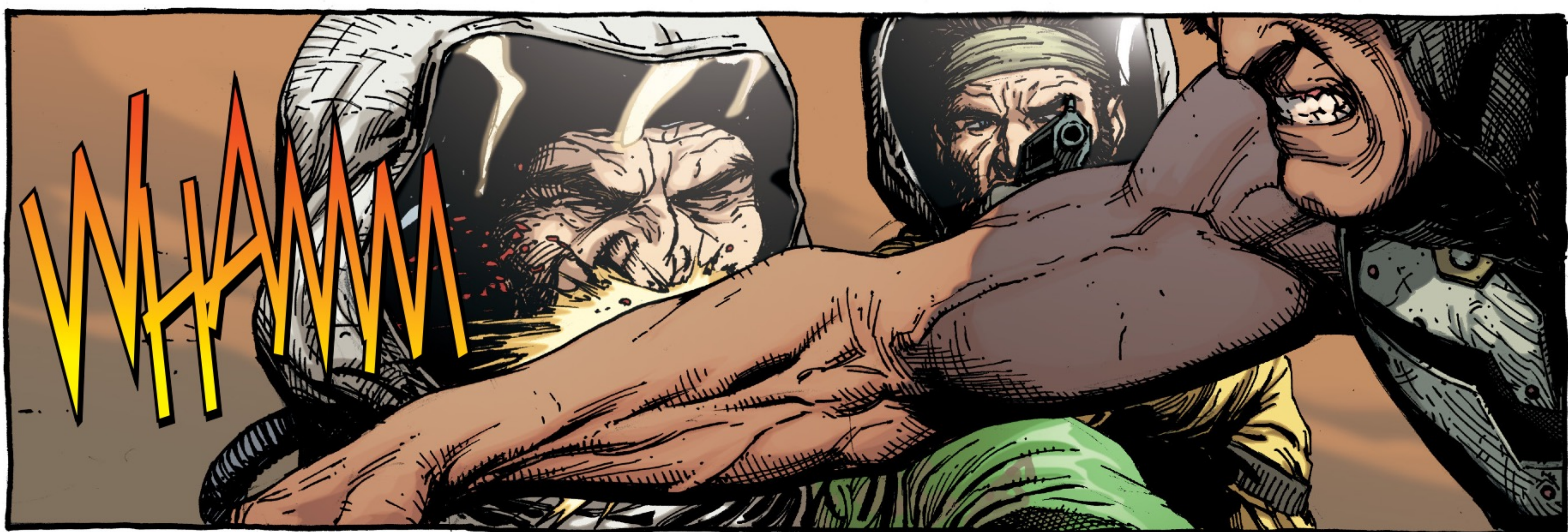


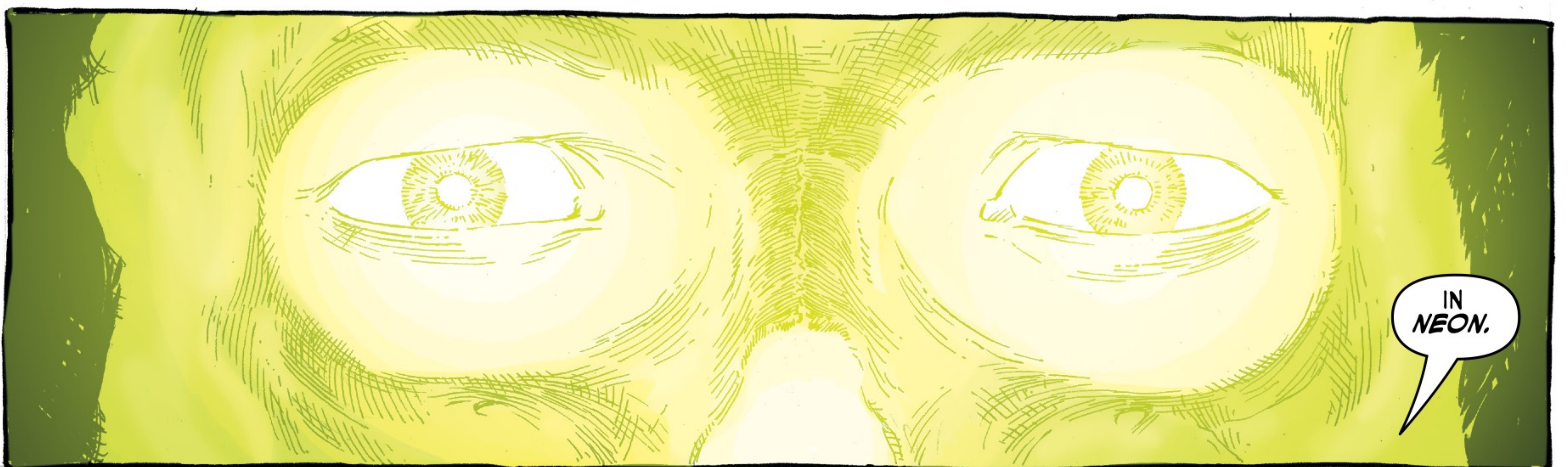






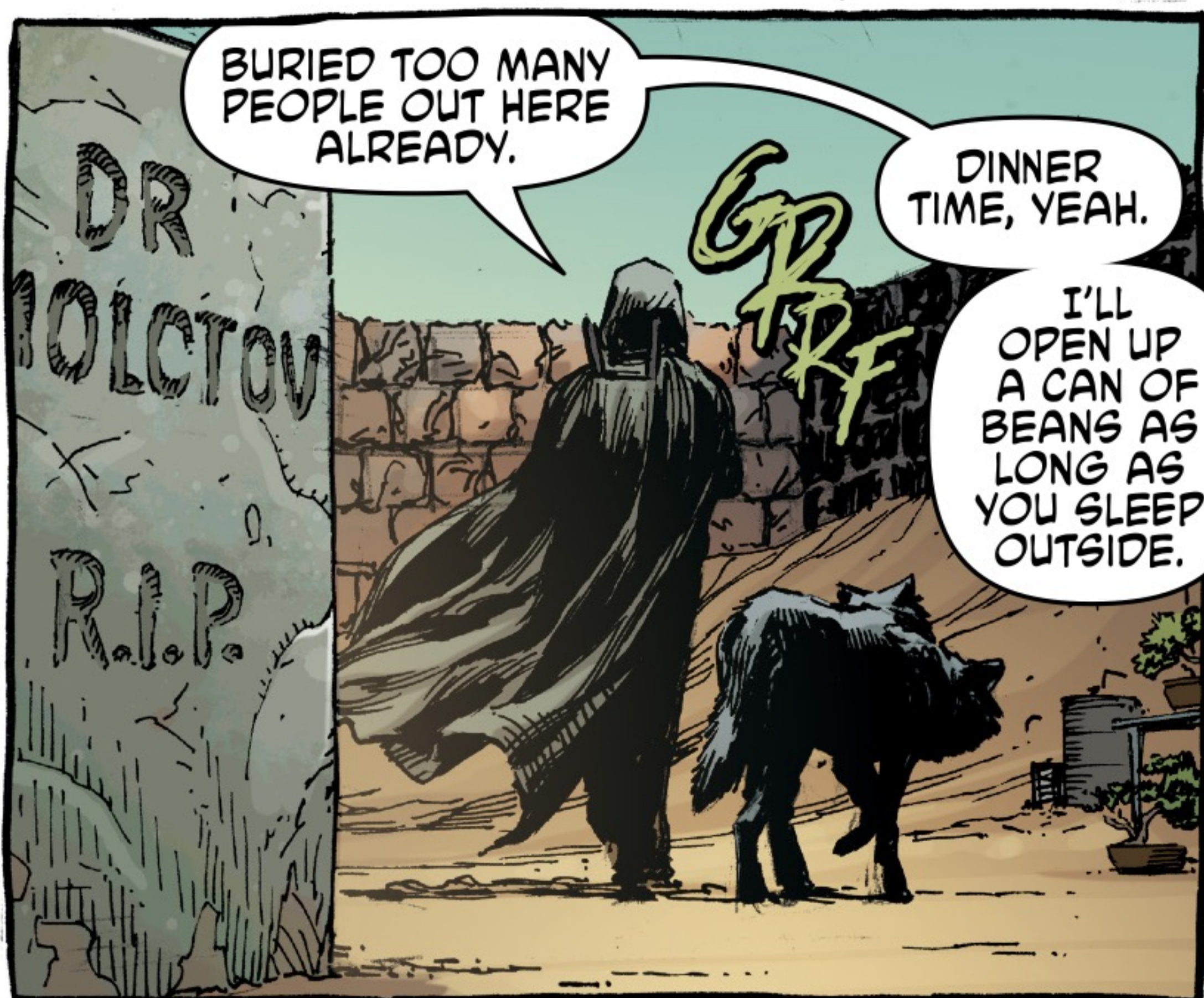


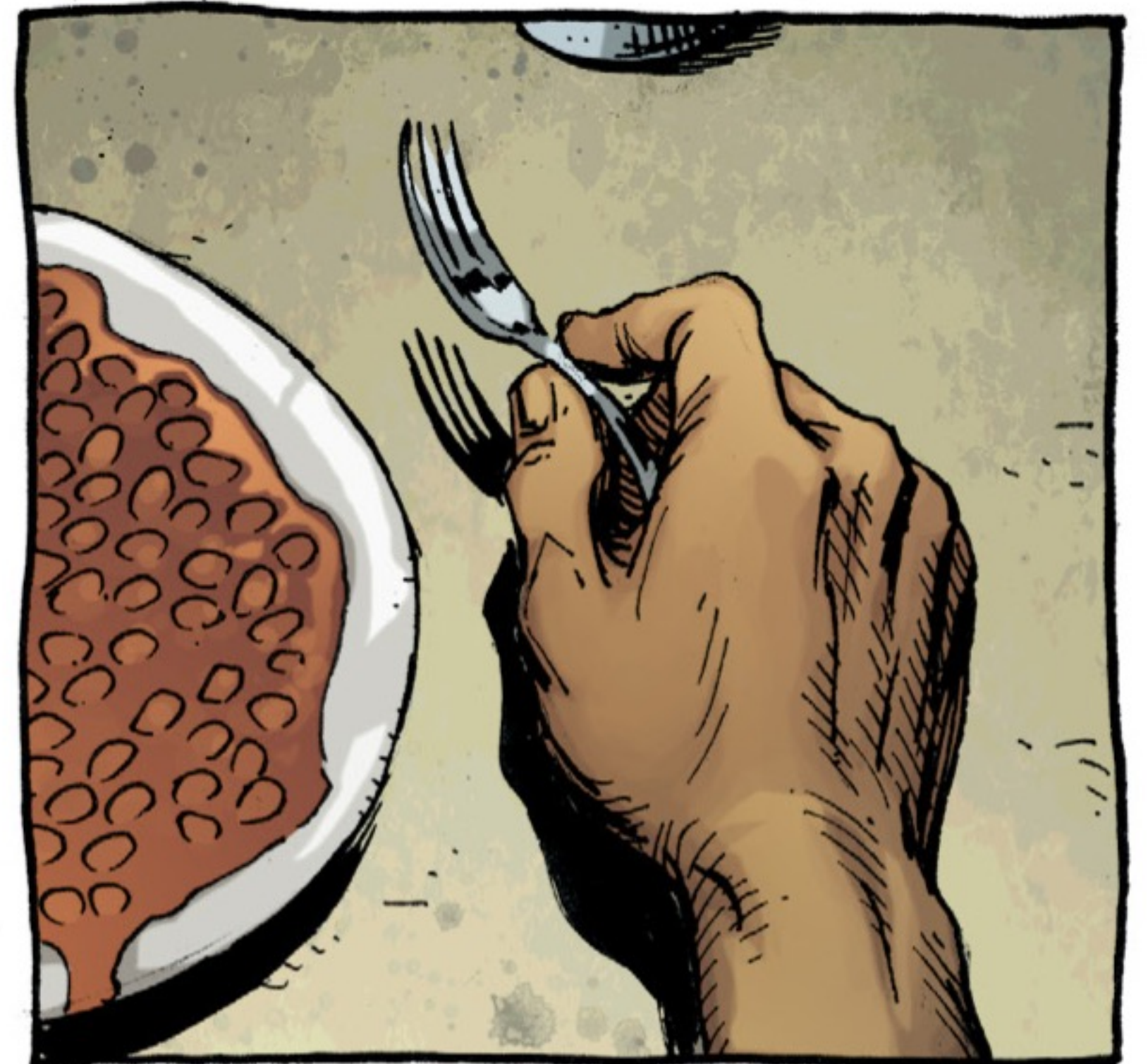
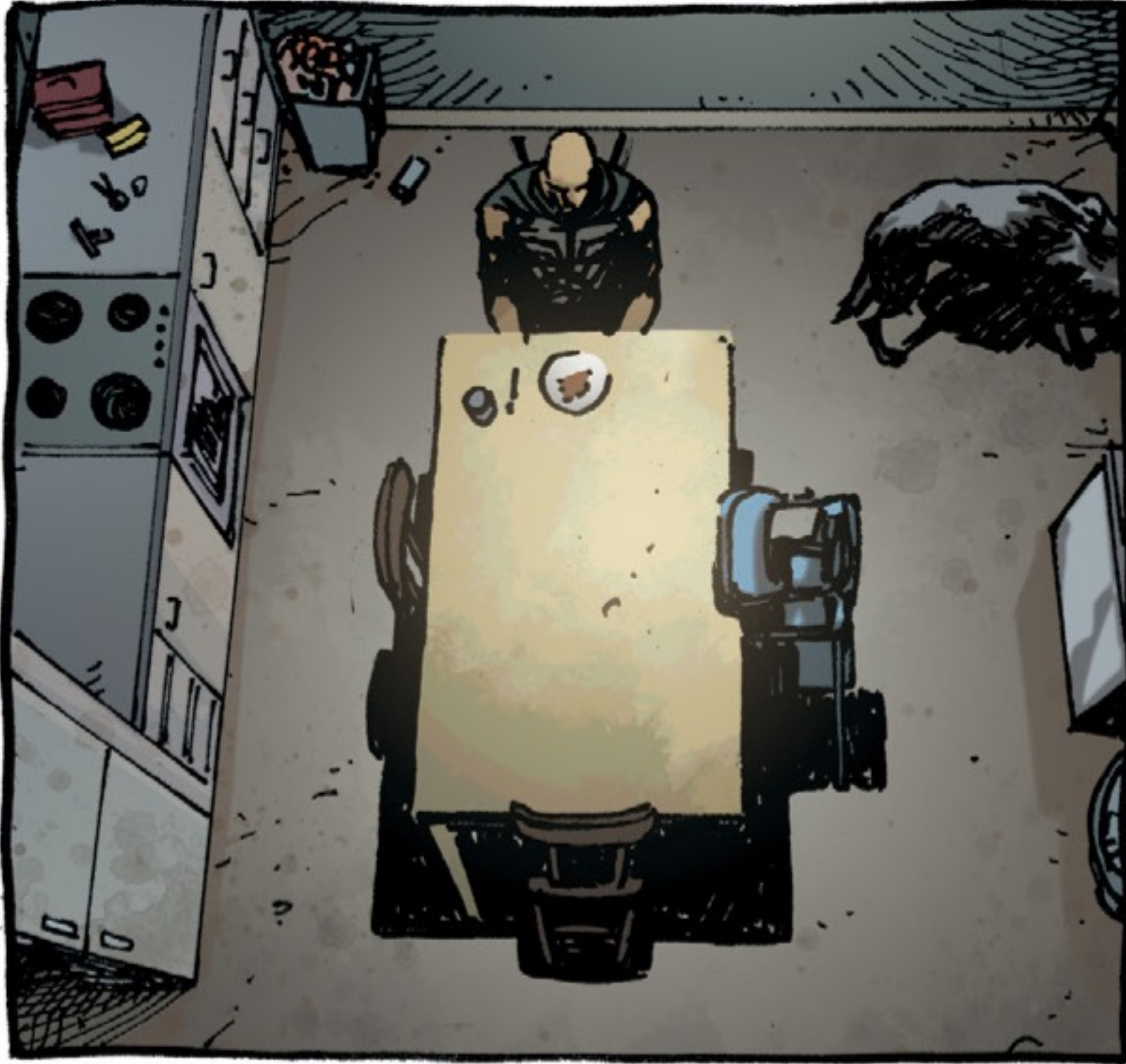
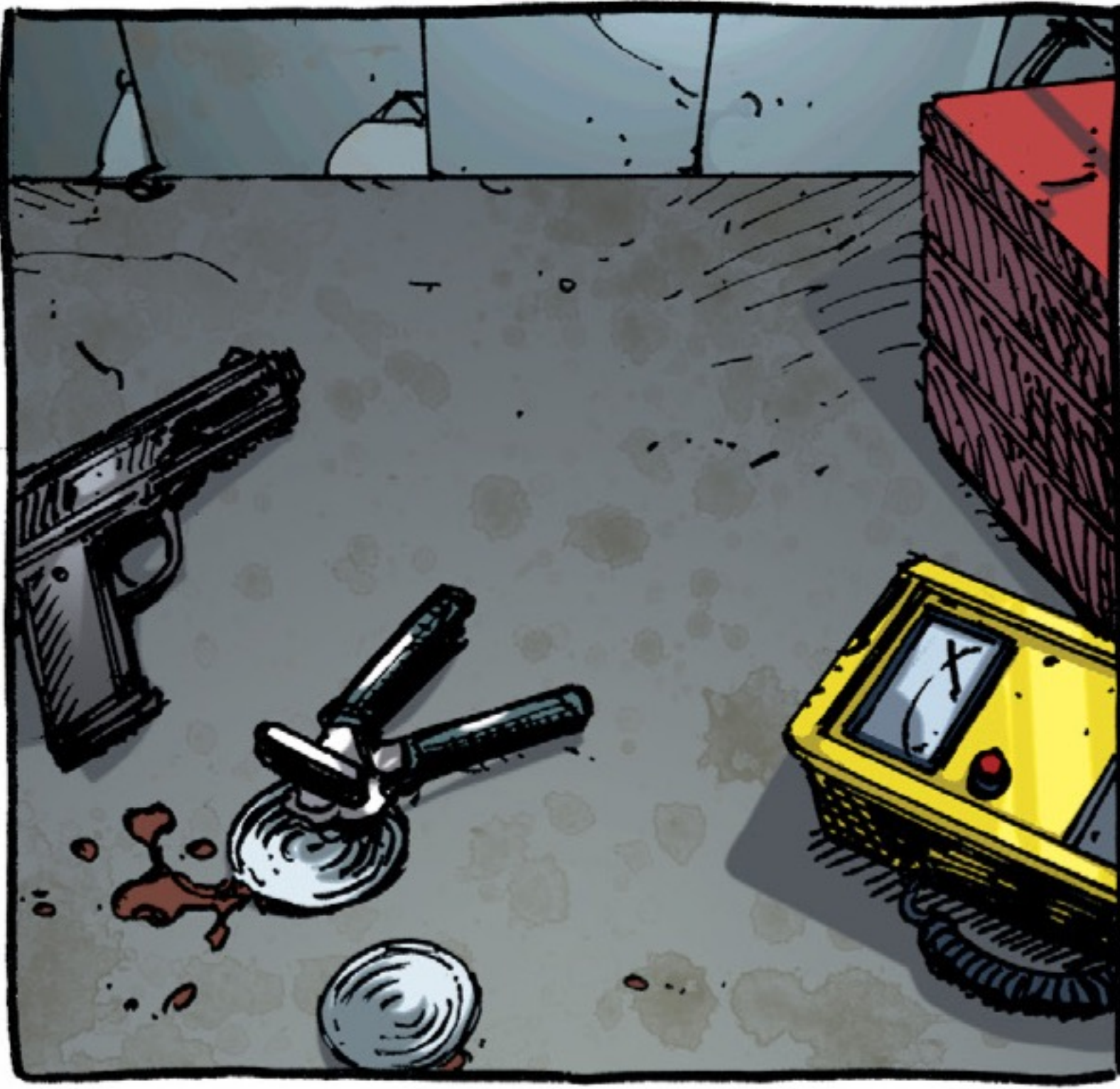




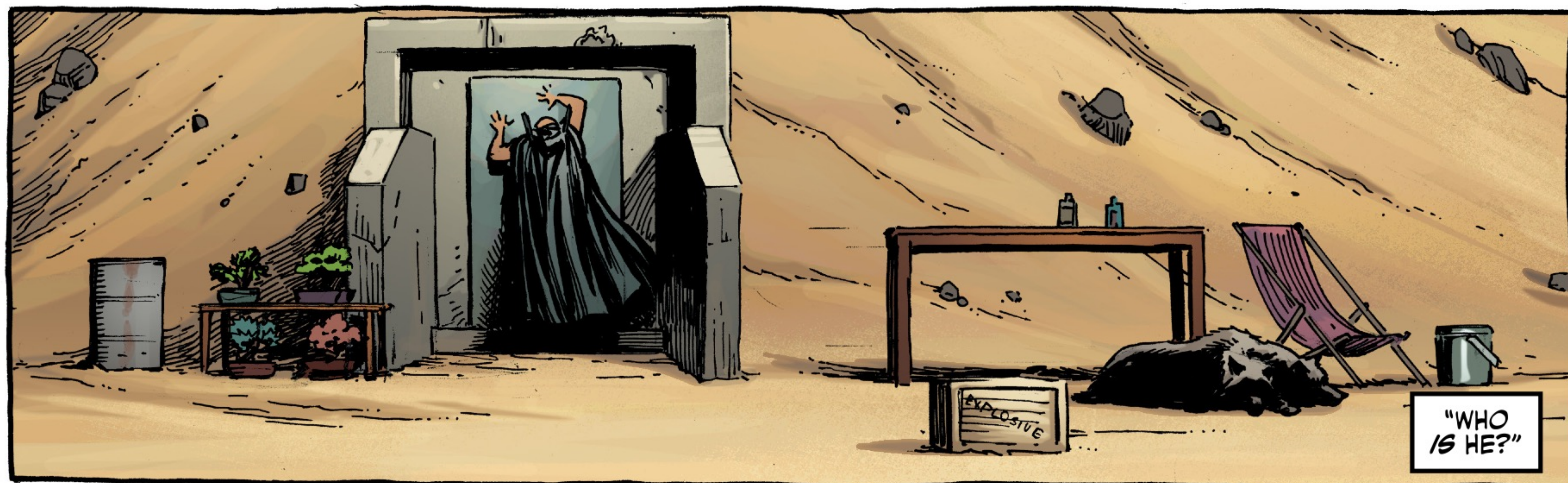
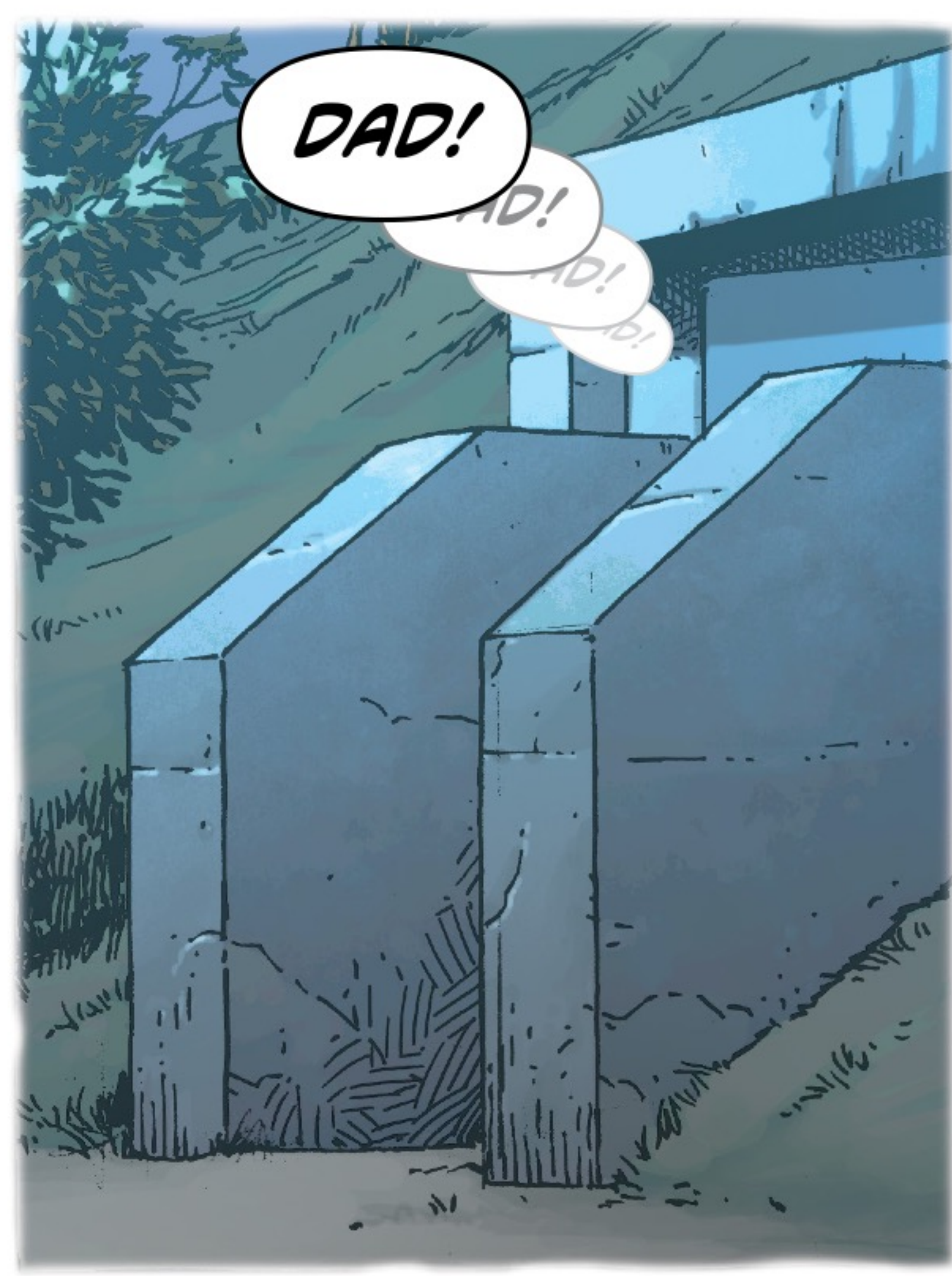
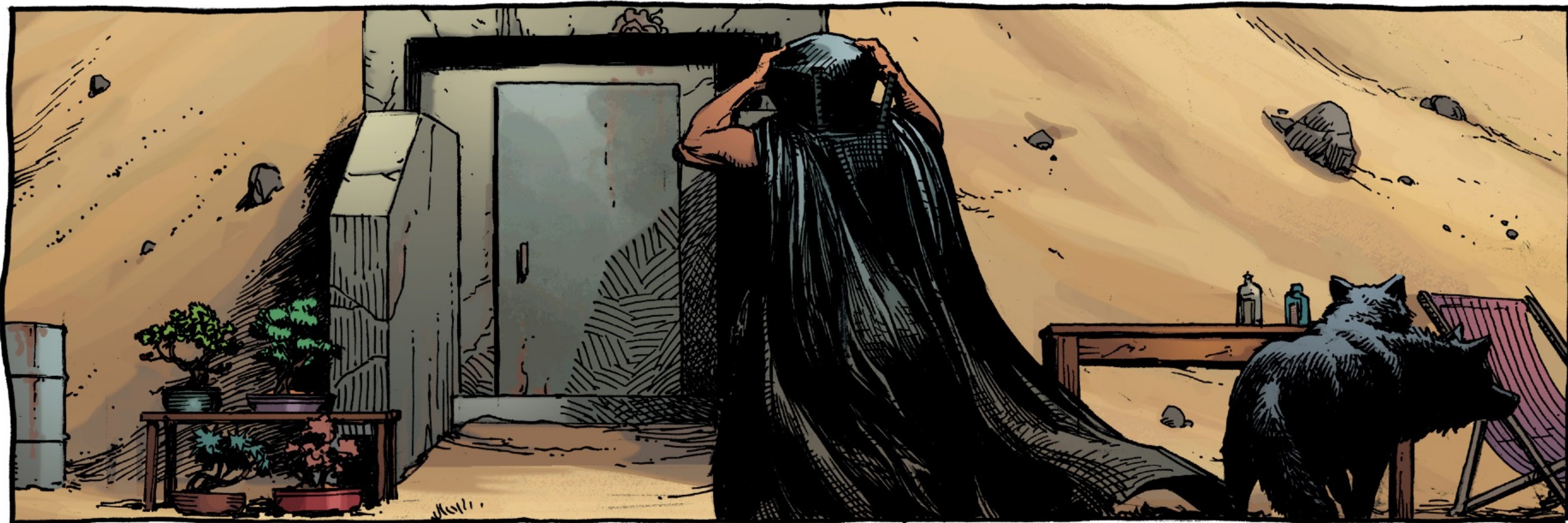
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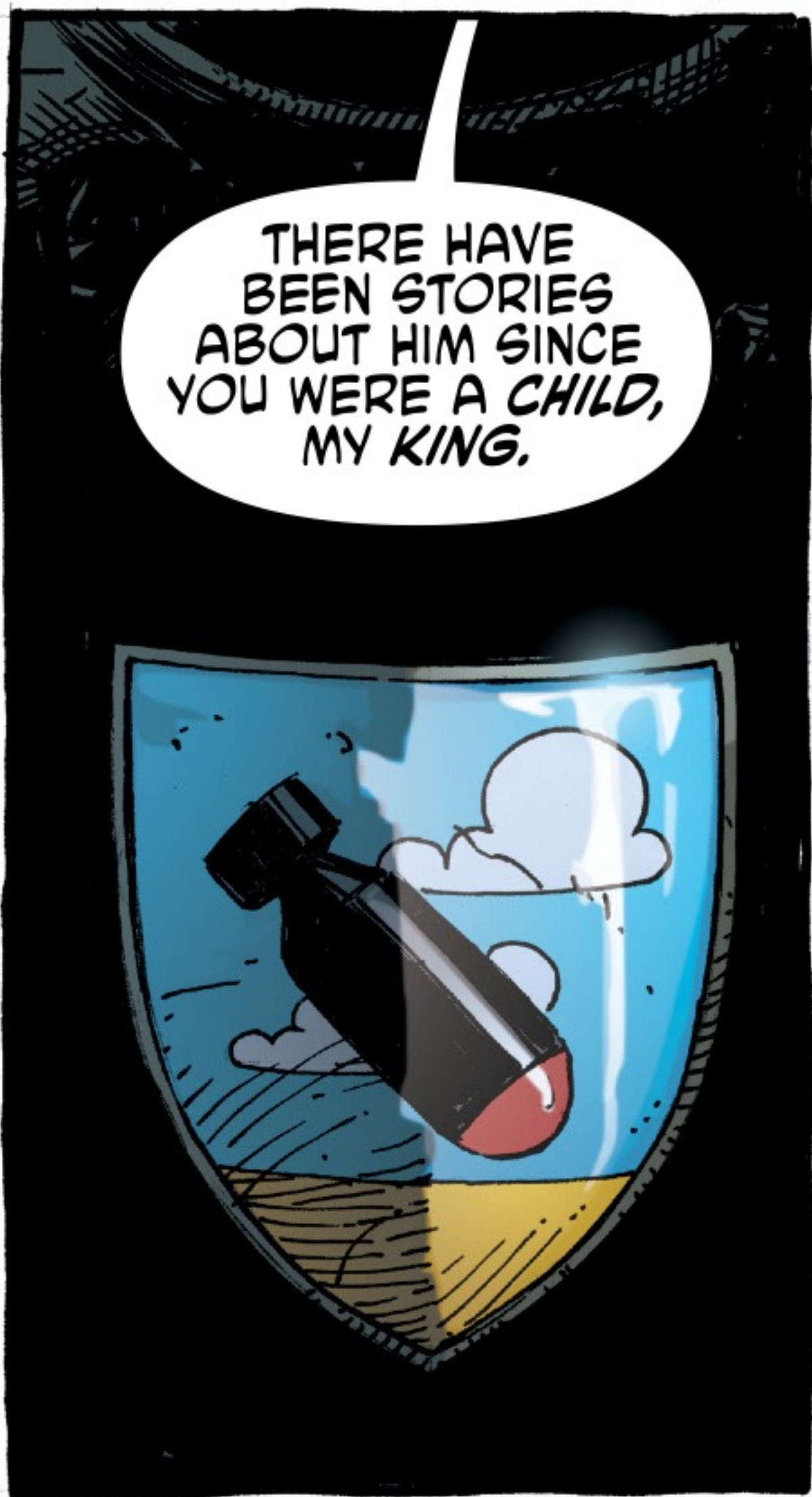












THERE HAVE BEEN STORIES ABOUT HIM SINCE YOU WERE A *CHILD*, MY KING.



SAFARI BOB CLAIMED TO HAVE MET HIM ONCE.



HE MADE A *PACT* WITH THE RADIOACTIVE MAN TO KEEP OUT OF BOULDER CITY. WE LISTENED.

BUT THAT WAS WHEN SUPPLIES WEREN'T SO SCARCE.



WE THOUGHT IT WAS ONLY A STORY TO SCARE PEOPLE OFF...

BUT *THREE* OF OUR MEN JUST ENCOUNTERED *SOMEONE* WALKIN' OUTSIDE... *WITHOUT A SUIT*.



SIR?

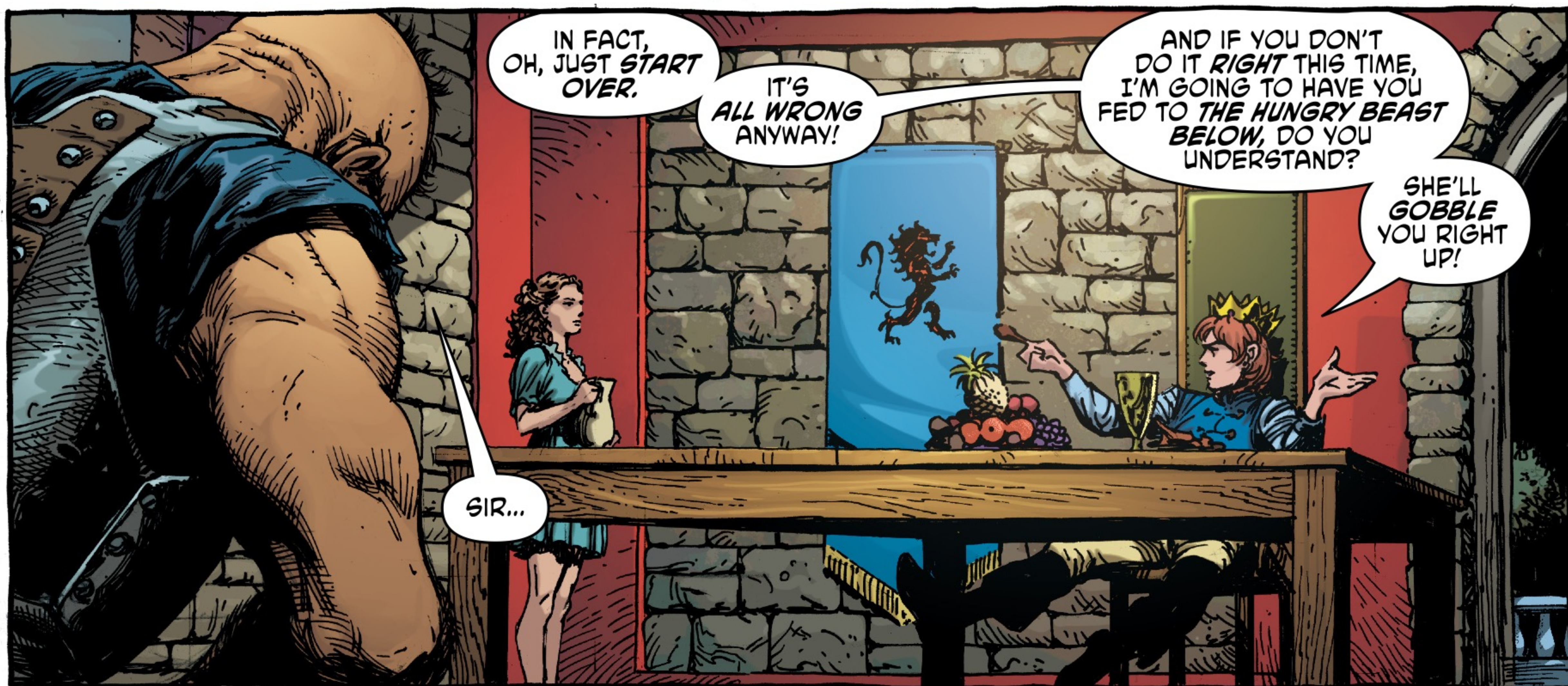
CAN I *STAND UP*? IT'S BEEN AN HOUR.



Hm? YES, ONE SECOND...

I HAVE *BROADER* SHOULDERS.

AND MAKE THE *DRAGON BIGGER*. MUCH BIGGER!



IN FACT,
OH, JUST *START*
OVER.

IT'S
ALL WRONG
ANYWAY!

AND IF YOU DON'T
DO IT *RIGHT* THIS TIME,
I'M GOING TO HAVE YOU
FED TO *THE HUNGRY BEAST*
BELOW, DO YOU
UNDERSTAND?

SHE'LL
GOBBLE
YOU RIGHT
UP!

SIR...

...IF SAFARI BOB
FINDS OUT WE'VE
BROKEN HIS
LAWS...

HIS
LAWS?

OH, SAFARI BOB
AND HIS LAWS
DON'T CONCERN
ME.

GATHER THE
NUCLEAR KNIGHTS.
I WANT TO *FIND THIS*
MYTH OF A MAN.

YOU CAN'T
COME WITH US.
IT'S TOO
DANGEROUS.



YOU NEVER
QUESTIONED MY FATHER
WHEN YOU SERVED HIM,
SO DON'T QUESTION
ME!



THIS! THIS IS AN OPPORTUNITY, WARHEAD. TO FINALLY SLAY SOMETHING!

WHAT FUN IT WILL BE!



I'LL SHOW ALL THE OTHER BOSSES THAT I AM MY FATHER'S SON! NO! I'M MORE!

I WILL BRING BACK THE GLOWING MAN'S HEAD AND I WILL PROVE THAT I AM A MORE POWERFUL MAN THAN MY FATHER EVER WAS!

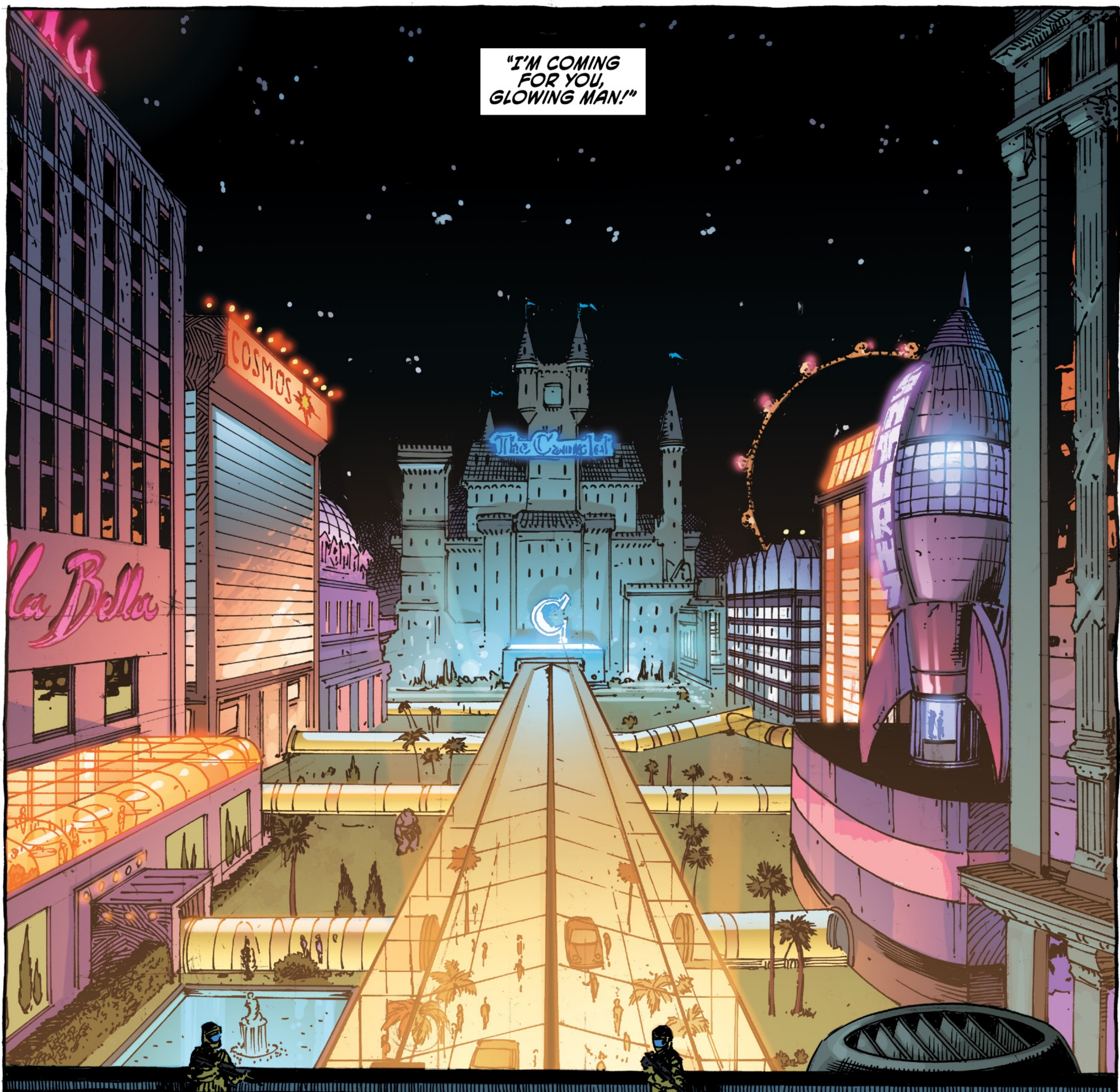


THIS IS MY CHANCE FOR VINDICATION!



THIS IS MY CHANCE FOR GLORY!

"I'M COMING
FOR YOU,
GLOWING MAN!"





CHAPTER TWO



SOME TIME
HAS PASSED
SINCE WE LAST
MET...

...THE CANCER'S
PROGRESSING
FASTER THAN WE
CAN MANAGE,
TARIQ.

WE'RE GOING TO GET
MORE AGGRESSIVE
WITH TREATMENT, BUT
I'M NOT SURE WHAT
ELSE WE CAN DO AT
THIS STAGE.



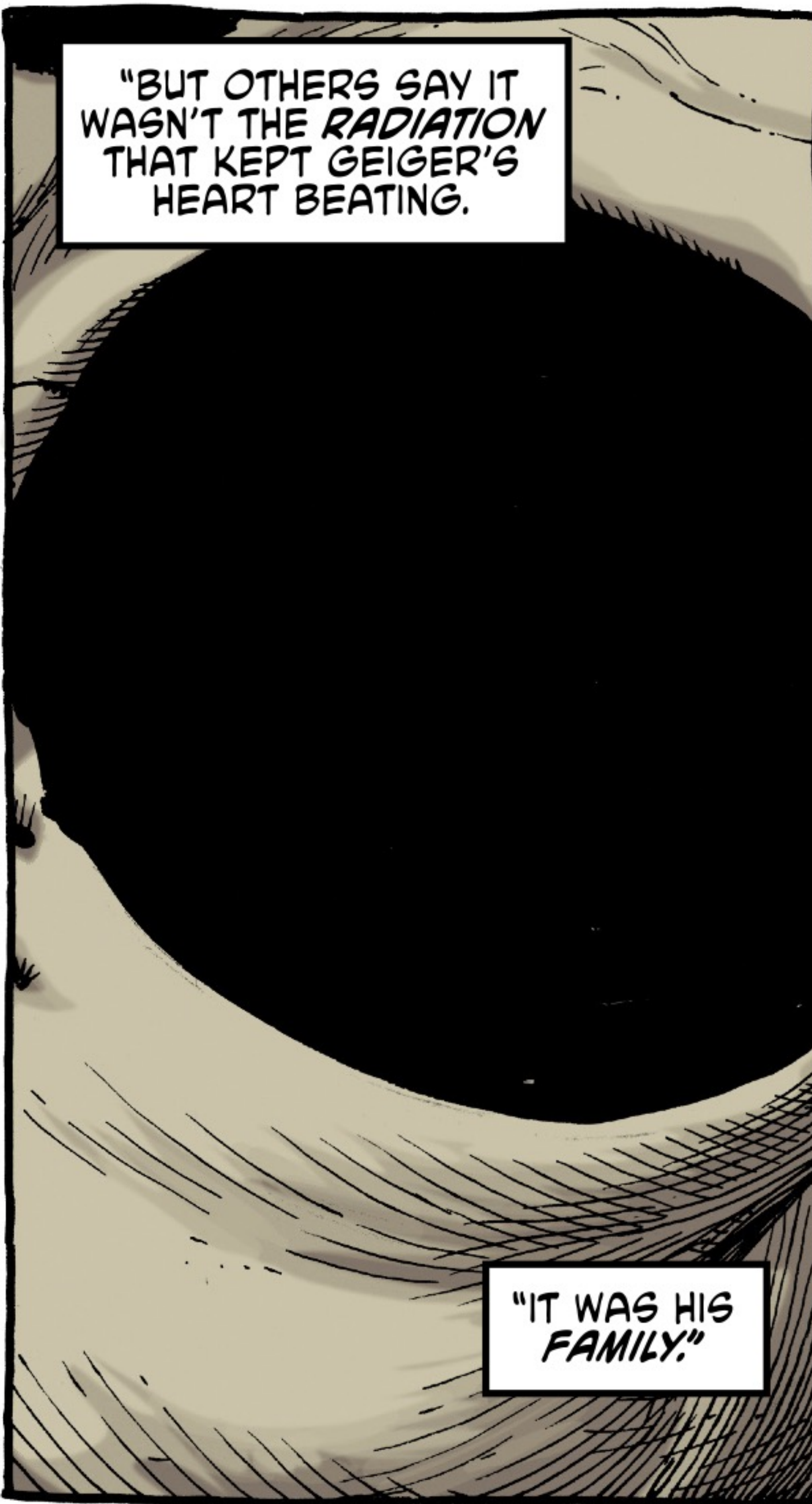
"THEY SAY IT WAS THE
SICKNESS THAT SAVED
TARIQ GEIGER.

"THAT WHEN THE *BOMBS*
WENT OFF AND HE GOT STUCK
OUTSIDE...ALL THE *POISON*
WAS *BOTTLED UP*, BURNING
DEEP IN HIS *BROKEN HEART*
LIKE A *FURNACE*..."

HOW LONG
DO I HAVE
LEFT?

"...FOREVER.

"BUT OTHERS SAY IT
WASN'T THE *RADIATION*
THAT KEPT GEIGER'S
HEART BEATING.



"IT WAS HIS
FAMILY."

"DID HE EVER GET 'EM
OUTTA THAT SHELTER?"



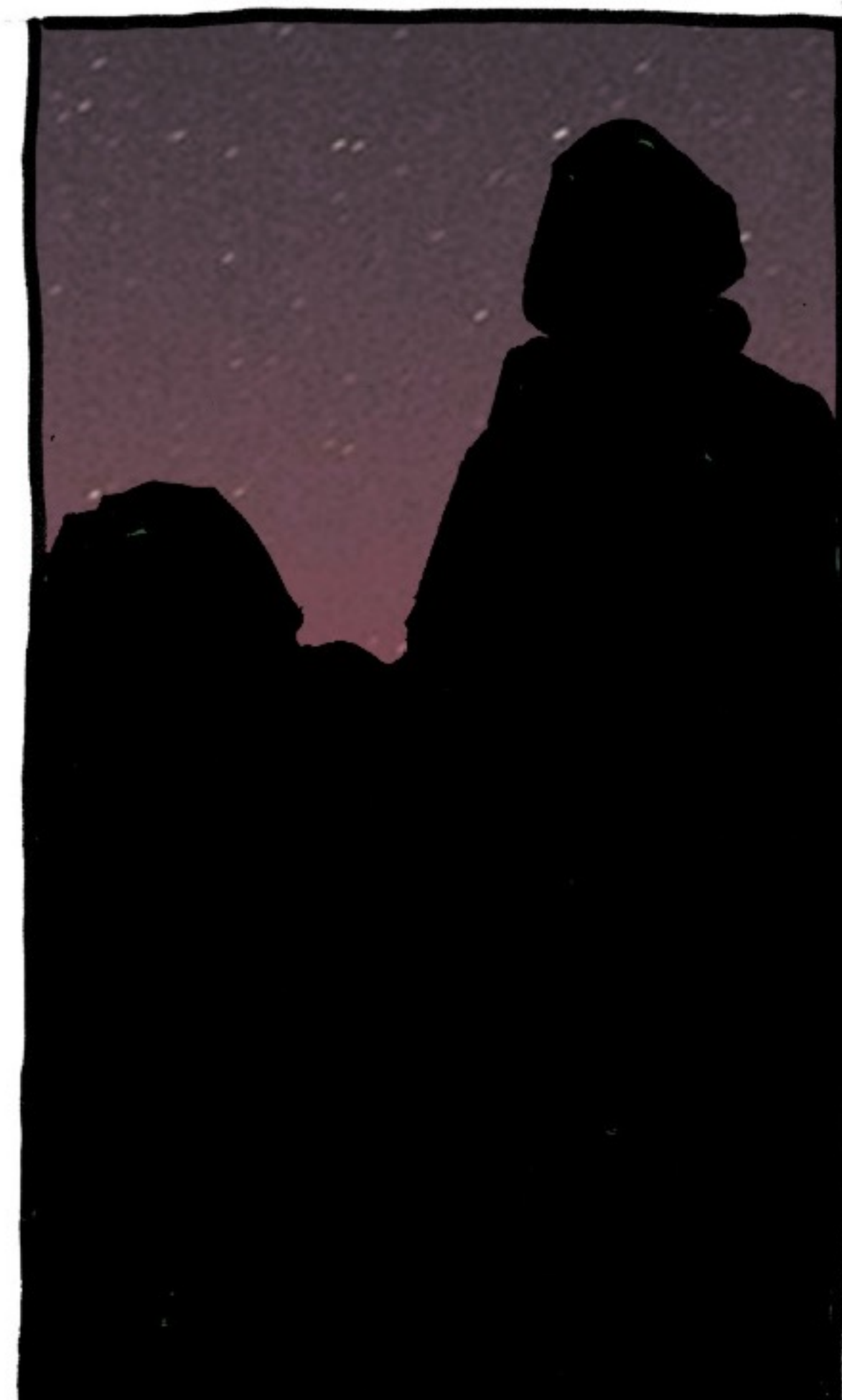
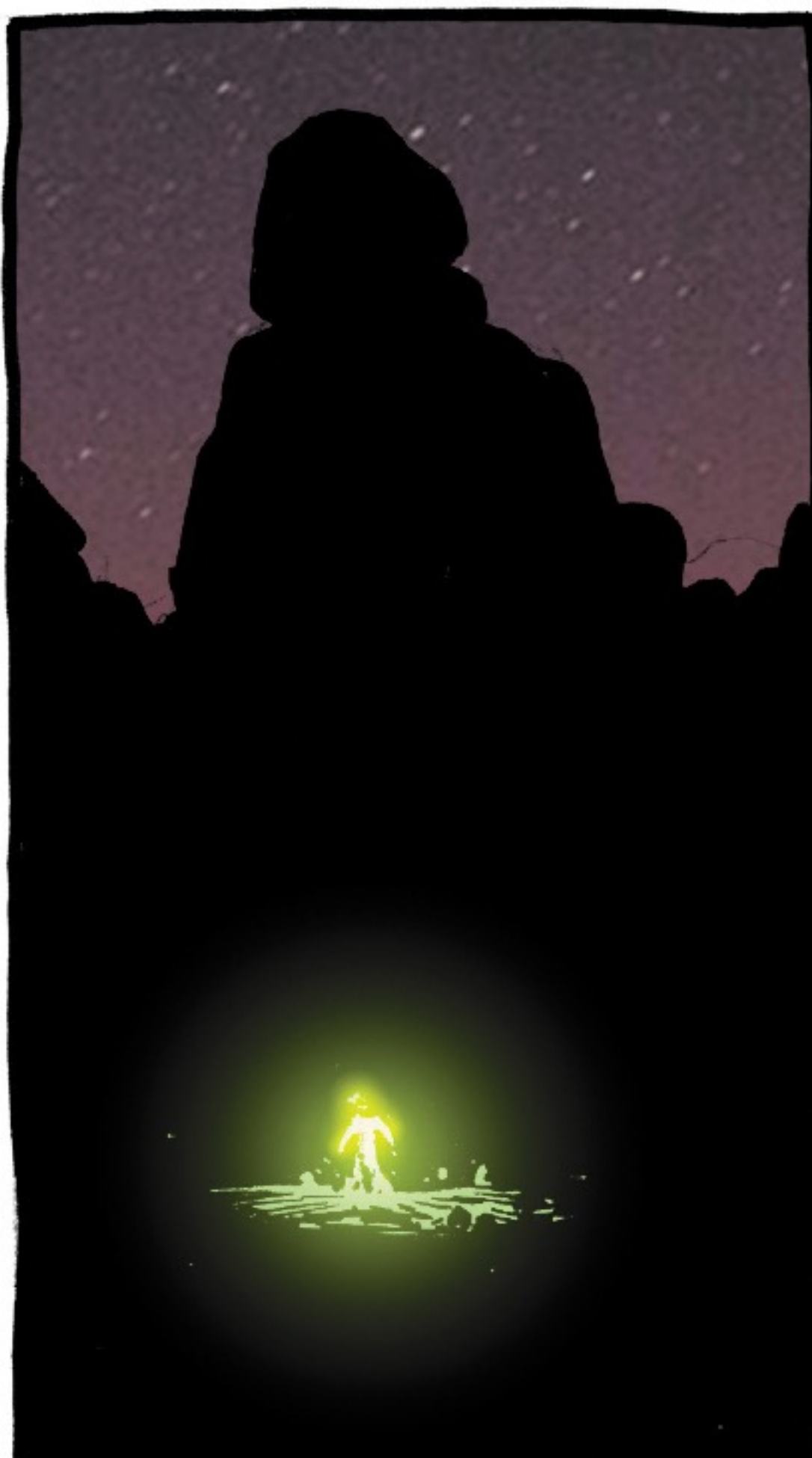
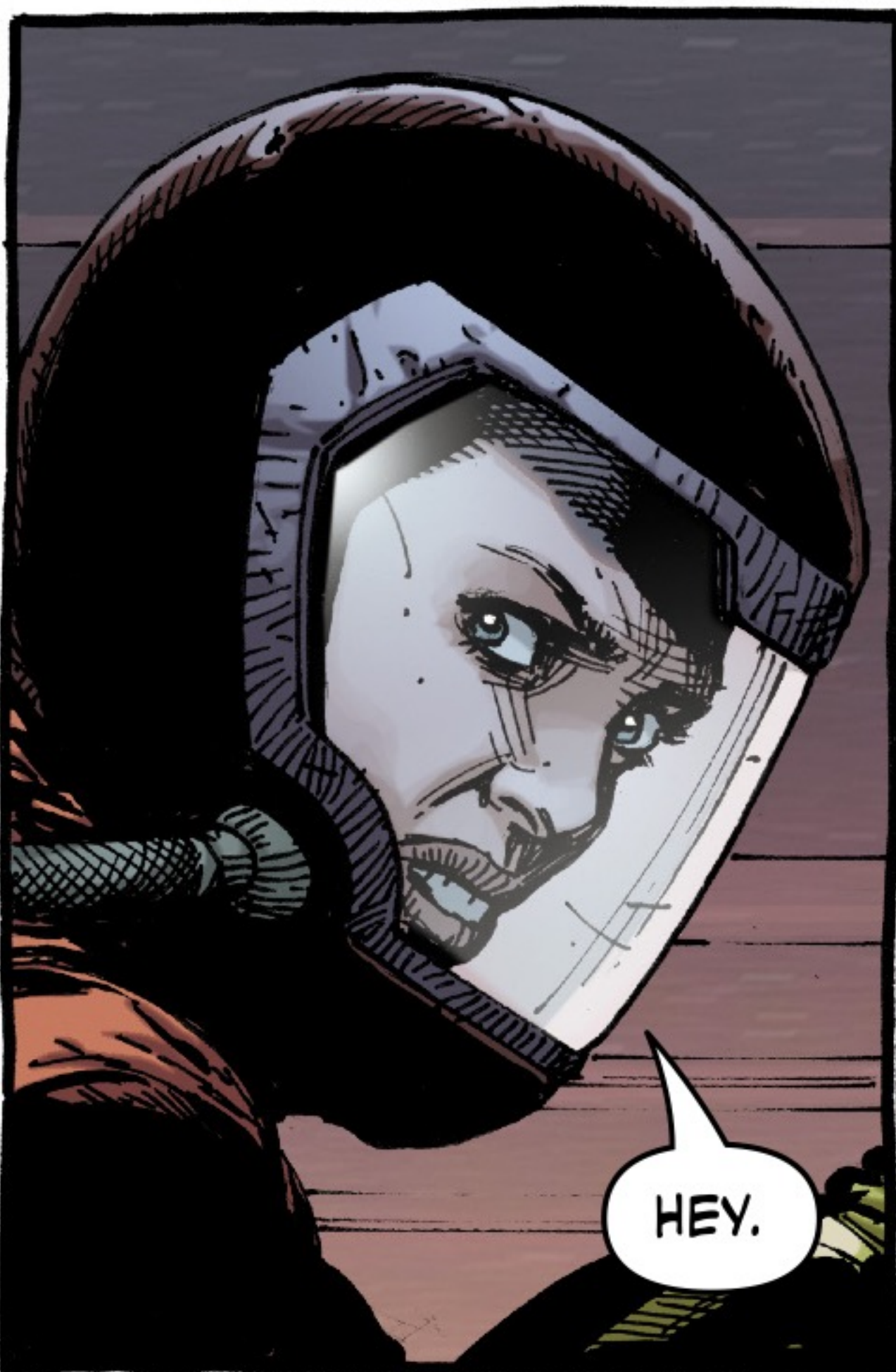
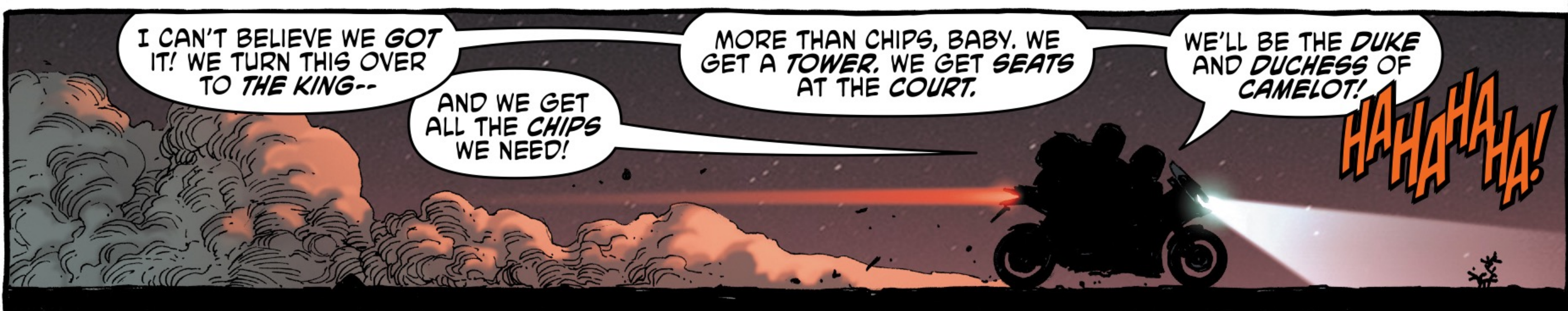
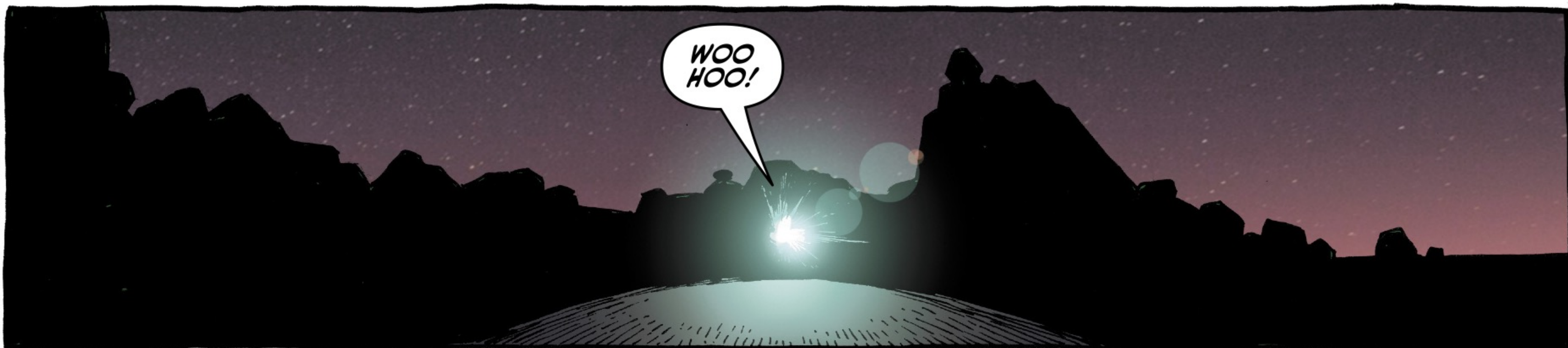
"YOU'LL HEAR ABOUT
THAT SOON ENOUGH.
BUT FIRST..."

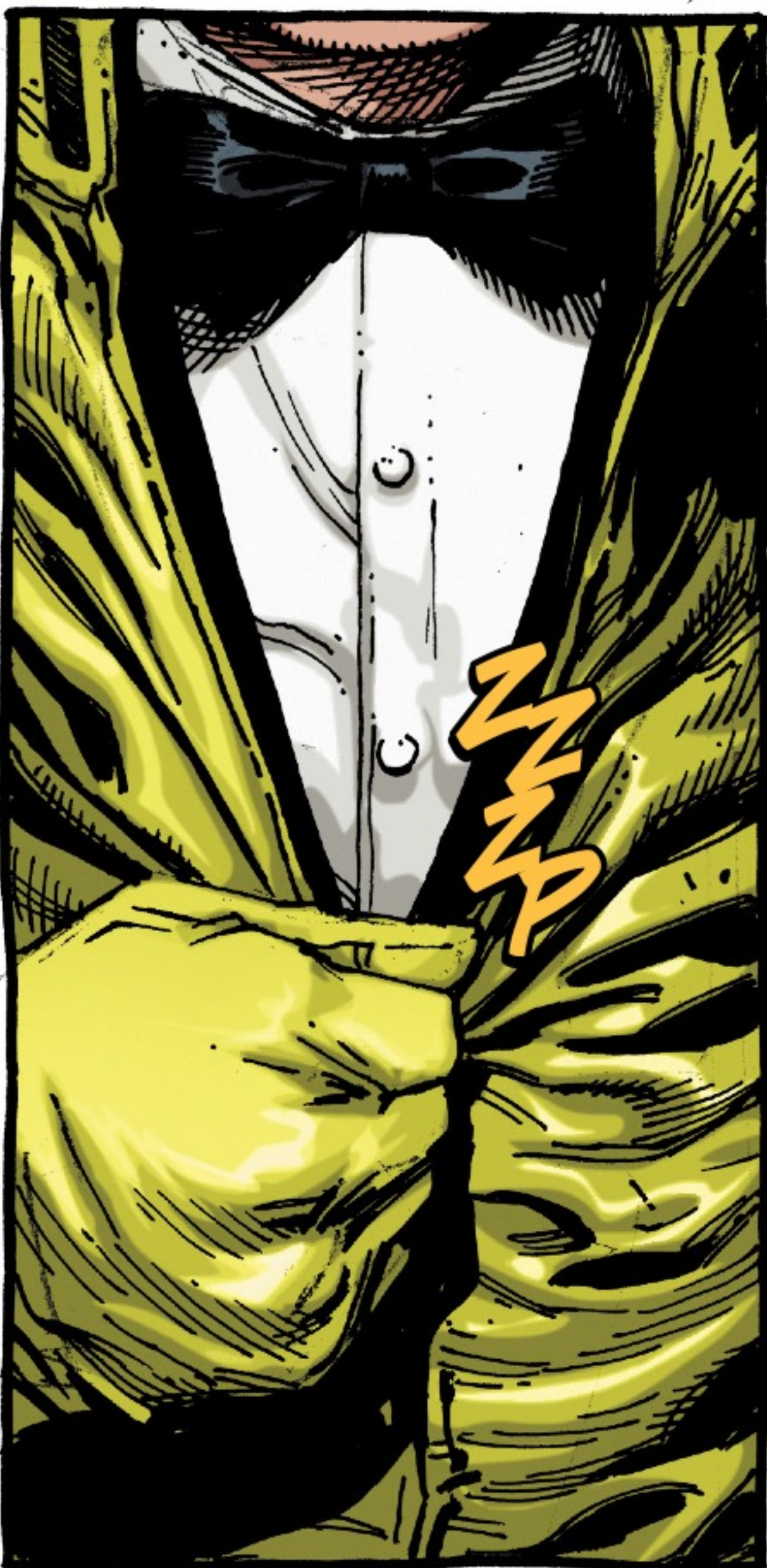
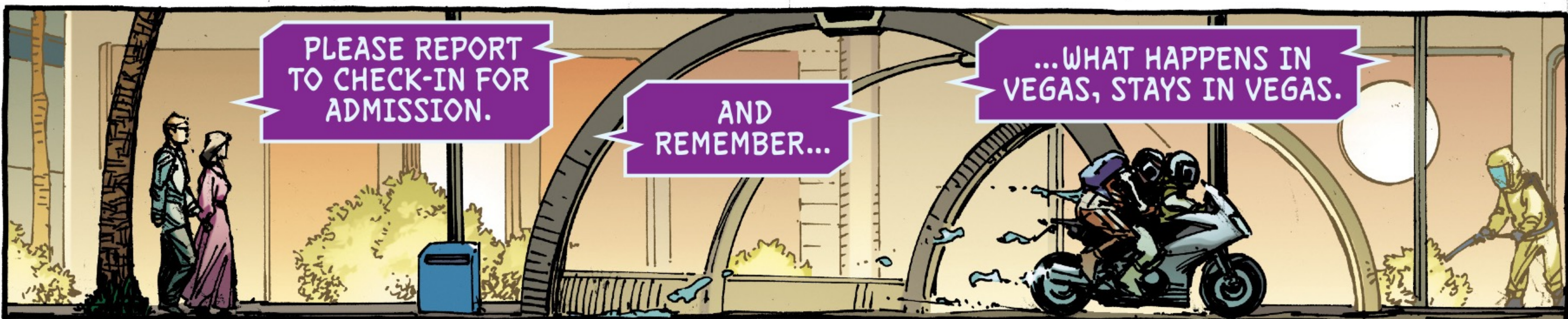


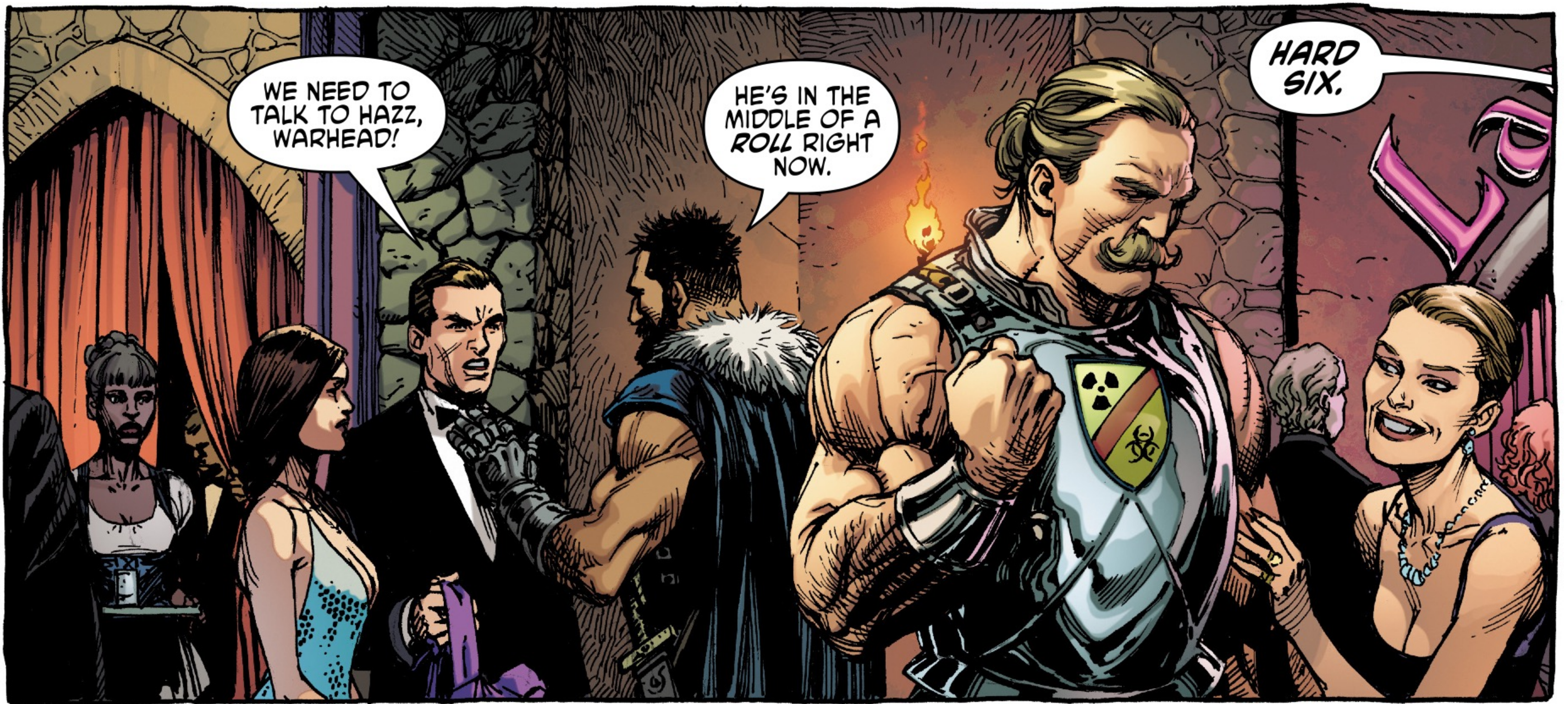
"...LET ME TELL YOU A STORY
ABOUT *LAS VEGAS*...AND
THE POOR PEOPLE WITHIN IT.

"THEN WE'LL GET
BACK TO THE
GLOWING MAN."









WE NEED TO TALK TO HAZZ, WARHEAD!

HE'S IN THE MIDDLE OF A ROLL RIGHT NOW.

HARD SIX.



EXCUSE ME, HAZZ. JO MADE YOUR DRINK SWEET LIKE YOU LIKE IT.

IS EVERYONE GOING TO INTERRUPT MY GAME?



LEAVE THE DRINK AND BEAT IT, CAROLINA.



WHERE?

WE FOUND THE PRIZE, HAZZ!

ORGAN PEOPLE OUT EAST SCAVENGED IT FROM AIR FORCE ONE. THEY DIDN'T KNOW WHAT IT WAS.

WE DO.

TRADED A HEART FOR IT.



Hm.

THIS MESS OF PAPER, WIRES AND METAL IS SUPPOSED TO BE SOMETHING?

YOU SEE?



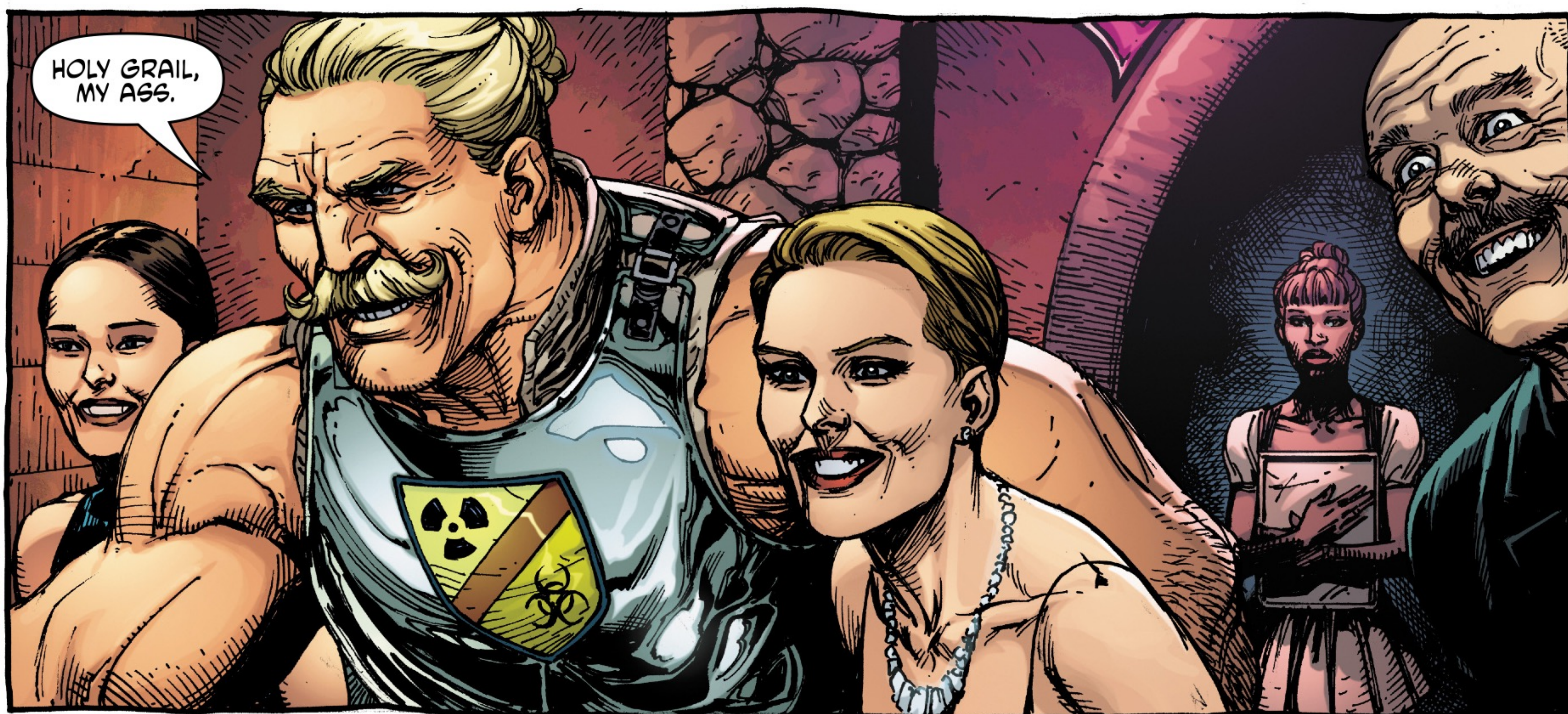
GO GET THE TECHS. BRING 'EM DOWN HERE TO VERIFY THIS ISN'T A FAKE LIKE THE OTHERS.

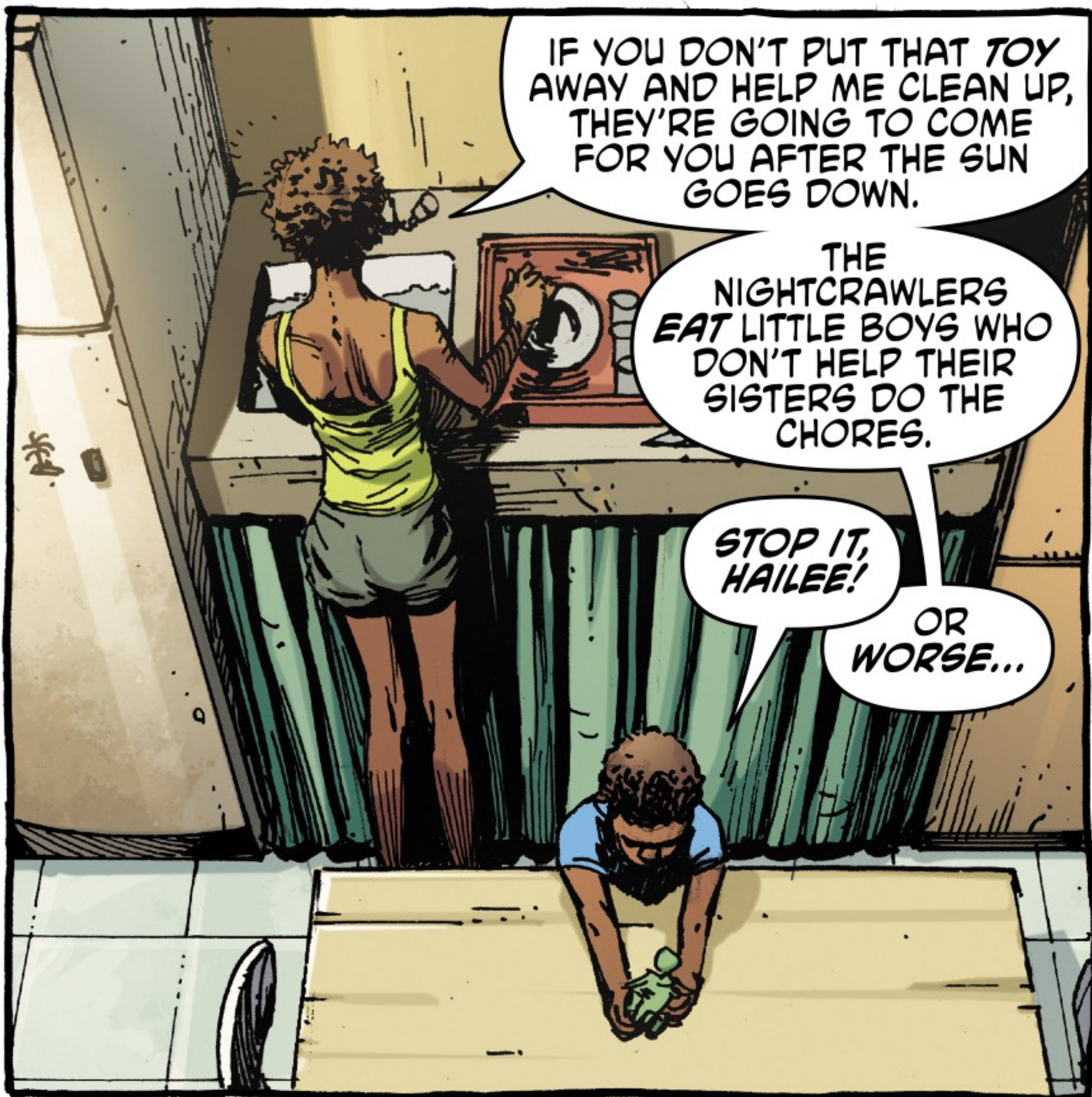
YES, SIR.



IT'S NO FAKE. YOU'LL SEE!

IT'S THE KING'S HOLY GRAIL!





IF YOU DON'T PUT THAT TOY AWAY AND HELP ME CLEAN UP, THEY'RE GOING TO COME FOR YOU AFTER THE SUN GOES DOWN.

THE NIGHTCRAWLERS EAT LITTLE BOYS WHO DON'T HELP THEIR SISTERS DO THE CHORES.

STOP IT, HAILEE!

OR WORSE...



...THE GLOWING MAN IS GOING TO GET YOU.



I'LL HELP WASH THE DISHES! GEEZ!



I FEEL TIRED AGAIN...

OF COURSE YOU WILL.

YOU'RE ALWAYS TIRED, HENRY.

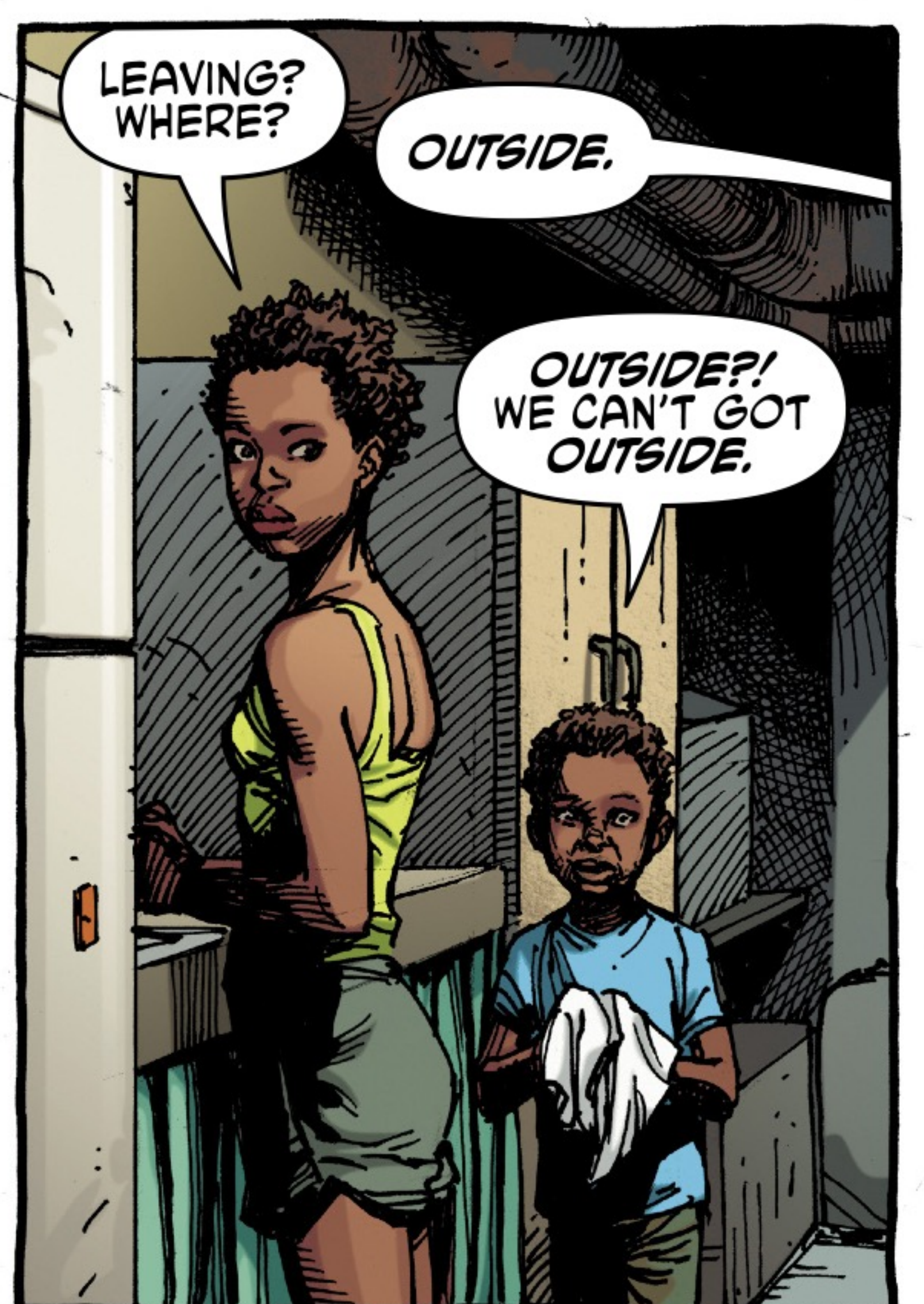


MOM?

HI, MOM!

I THOUGHT YOU WEREN'T DONE UNTIL MORNING.

WE'RE LEAVING.



LEAVING? WHERE?

OUTSIDE.

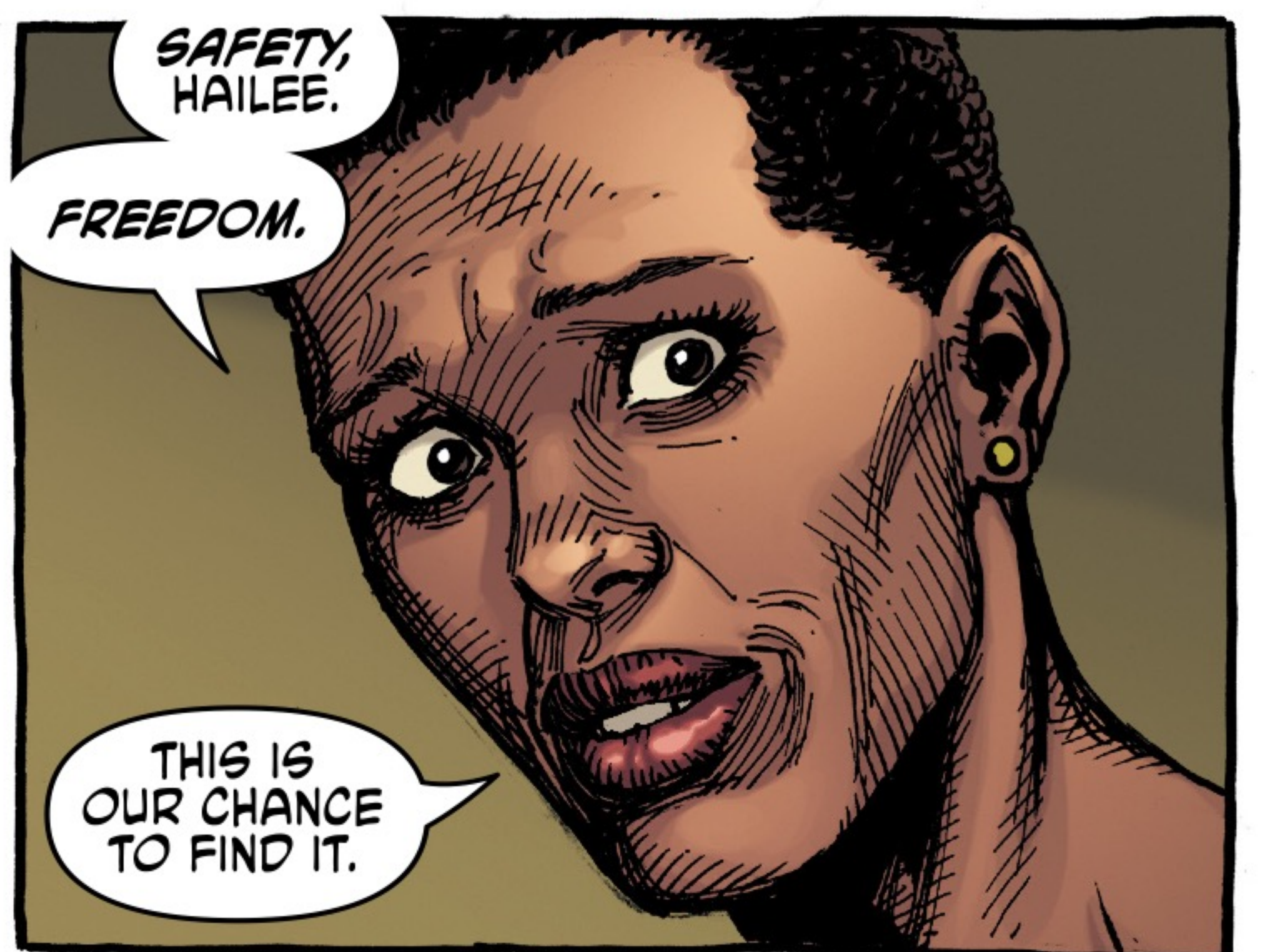
OUTSIDE?! WE CAN'T GOT OUTSIDE.



I WAS WAITING FOR AN OPPORTUNITY, I DIDN'T WANT TO SCARE YOU...

BUT THIS. I THINK MAYBE THIS CAN PAY US OUR WAY IN.

WHAT CAN? INTO WHERE?



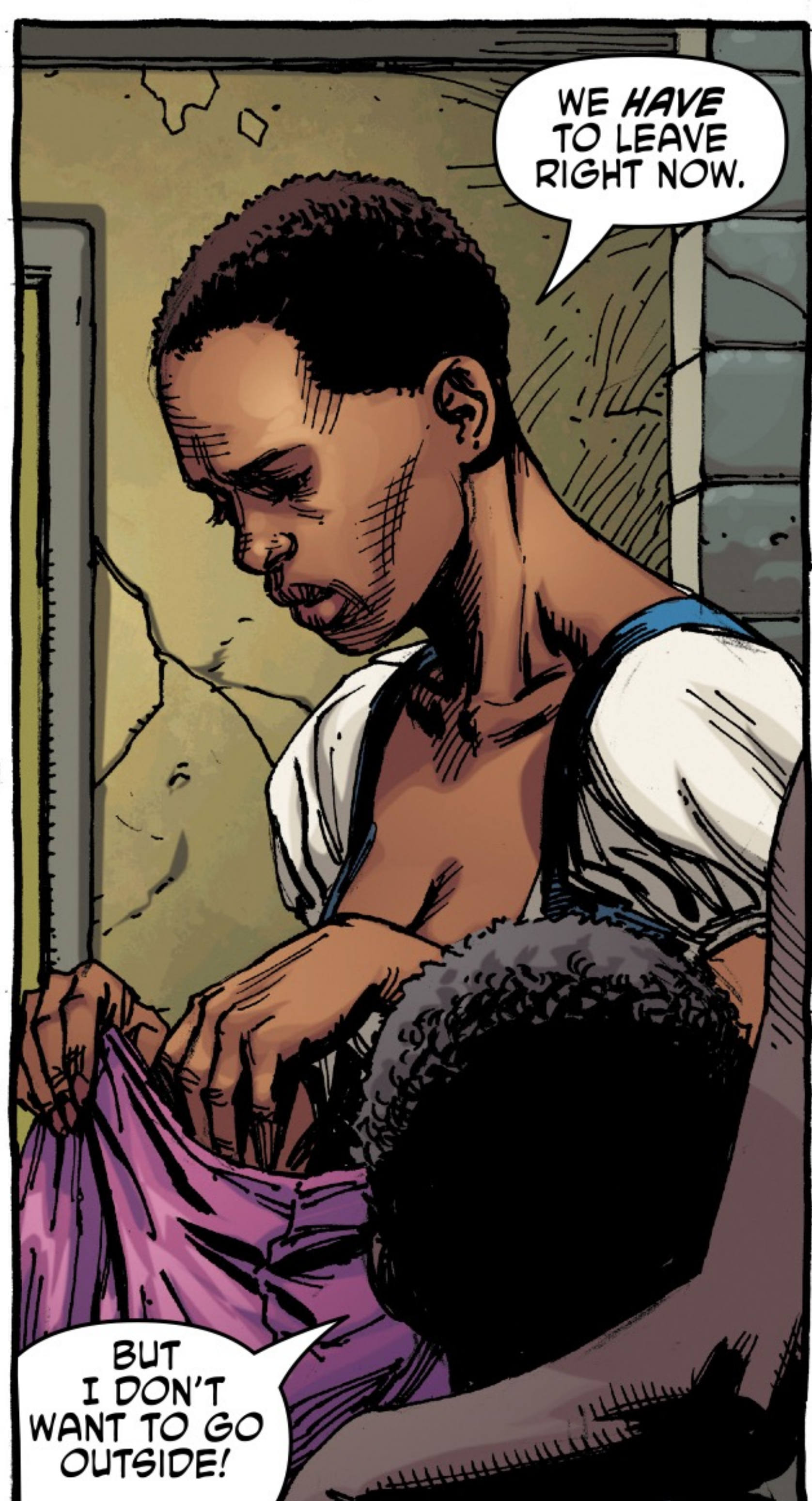
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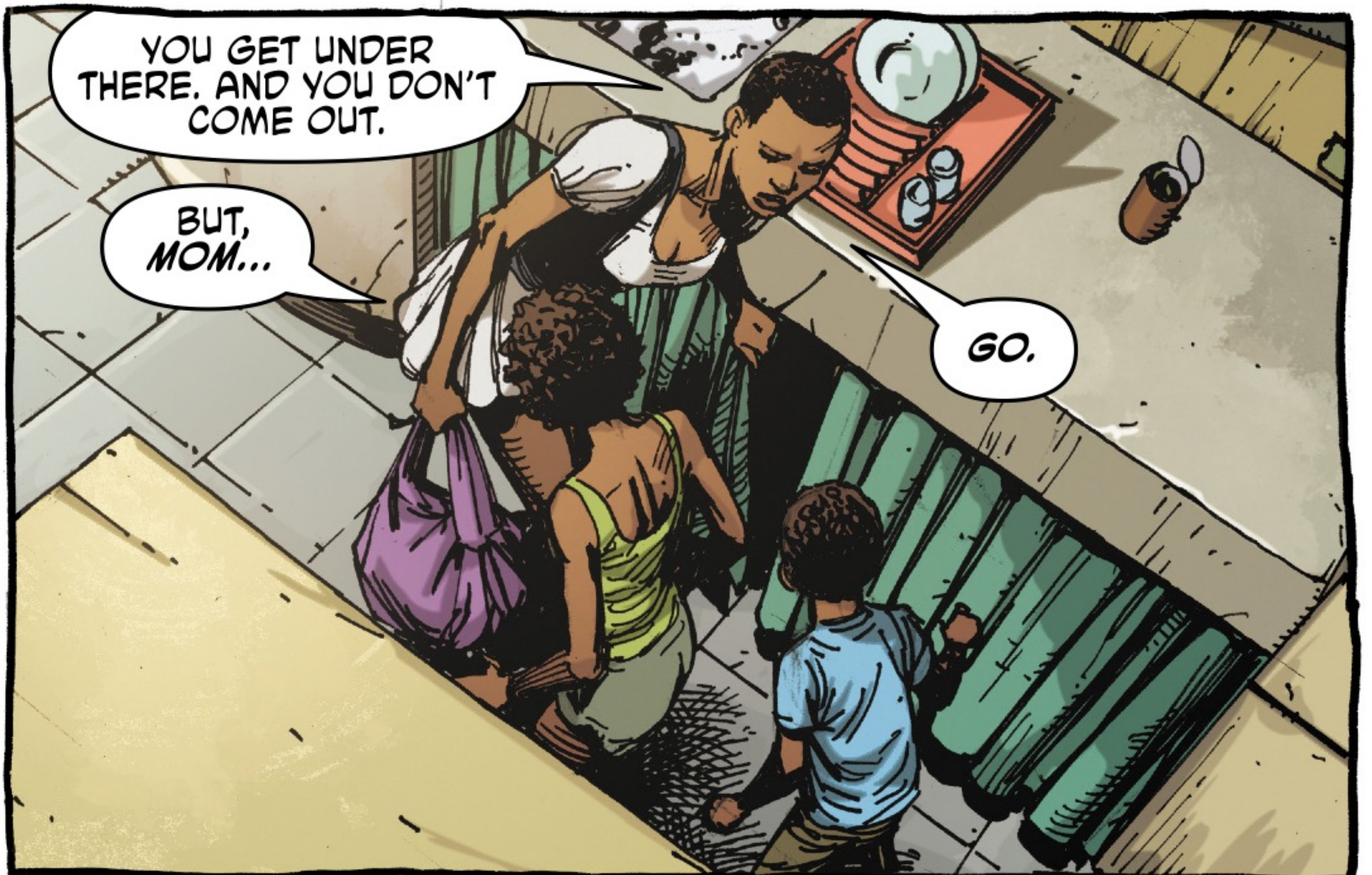
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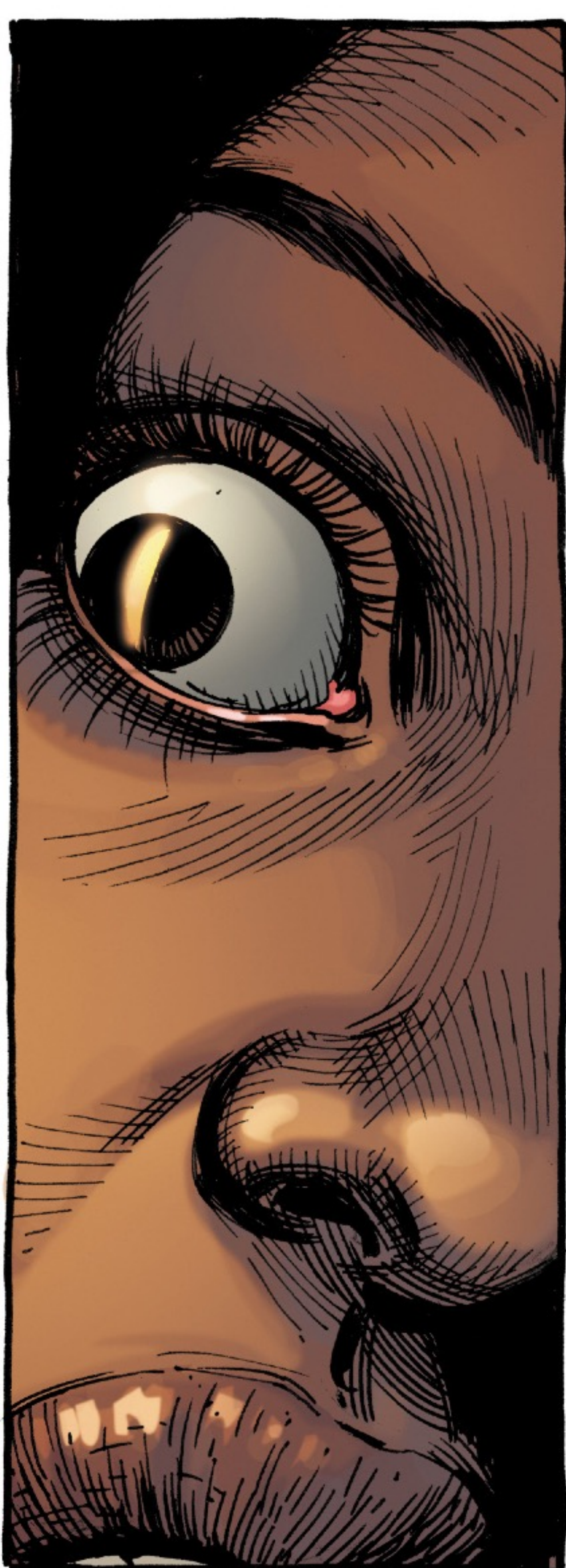
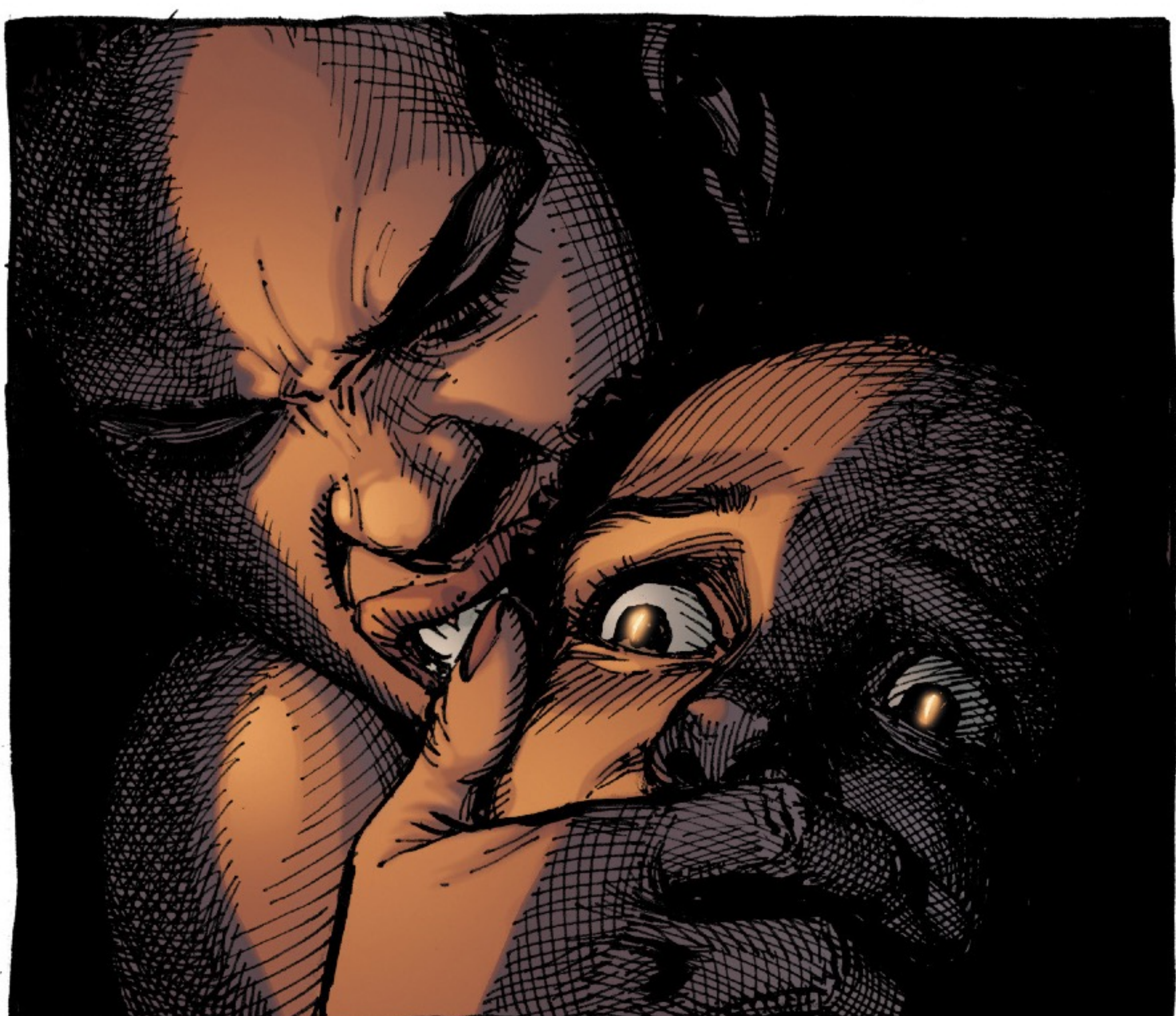
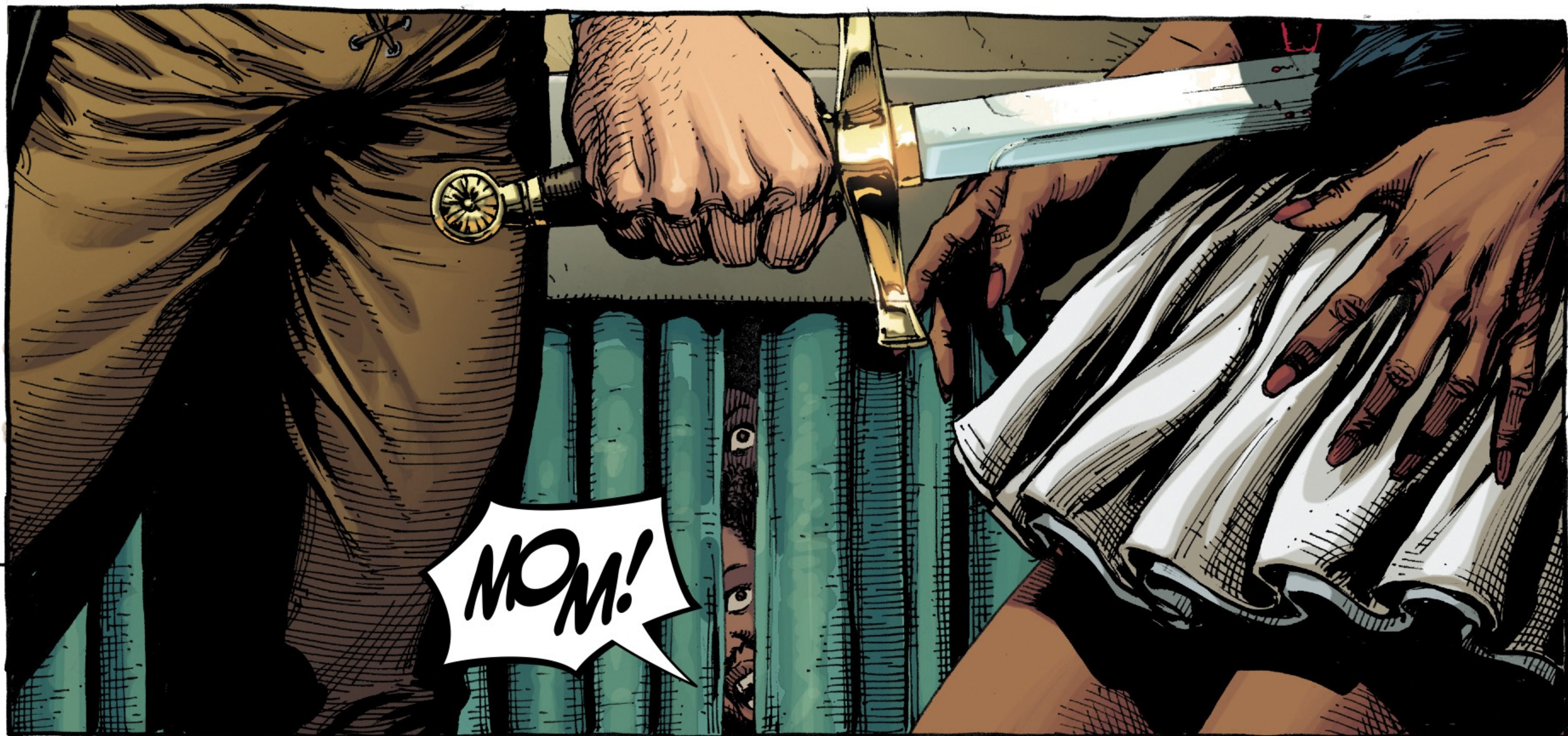
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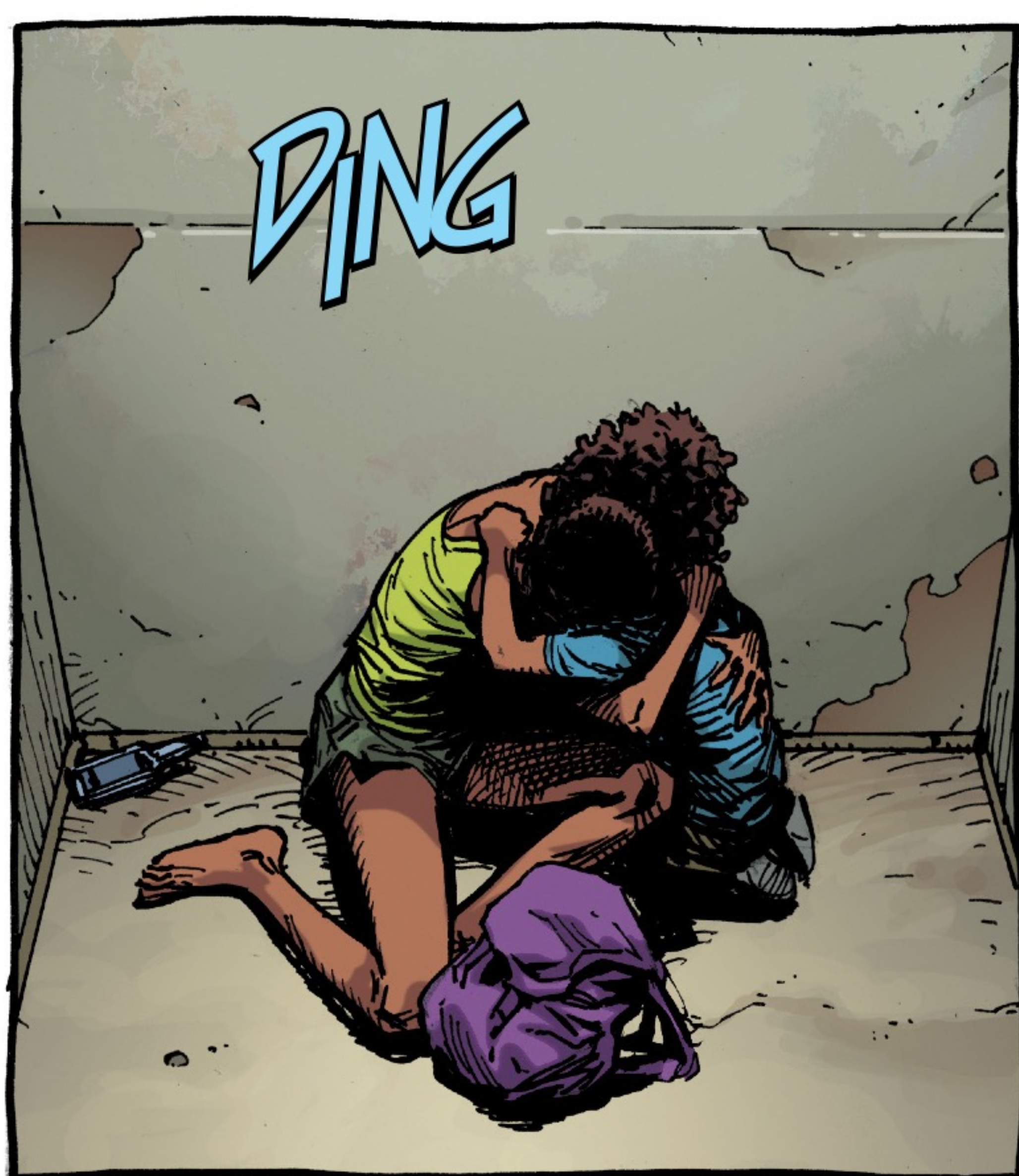
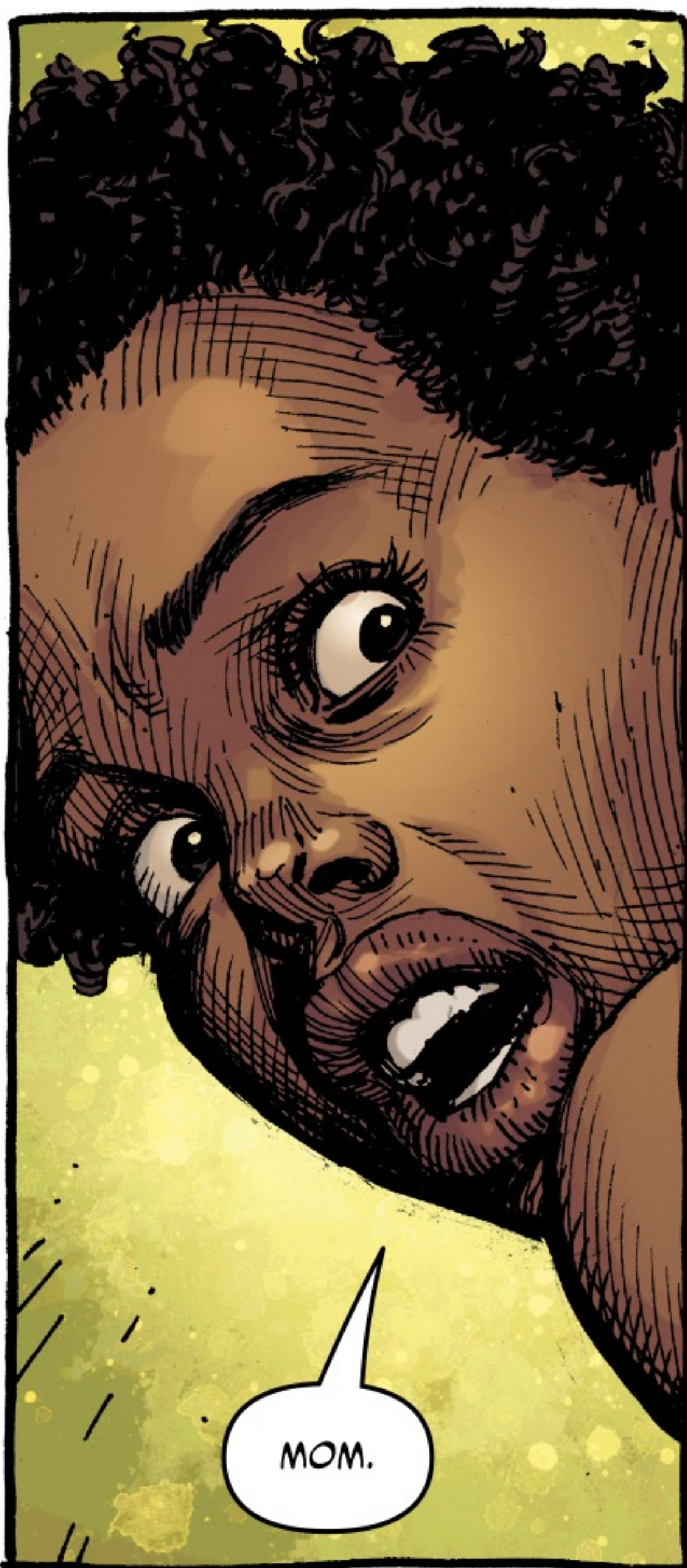


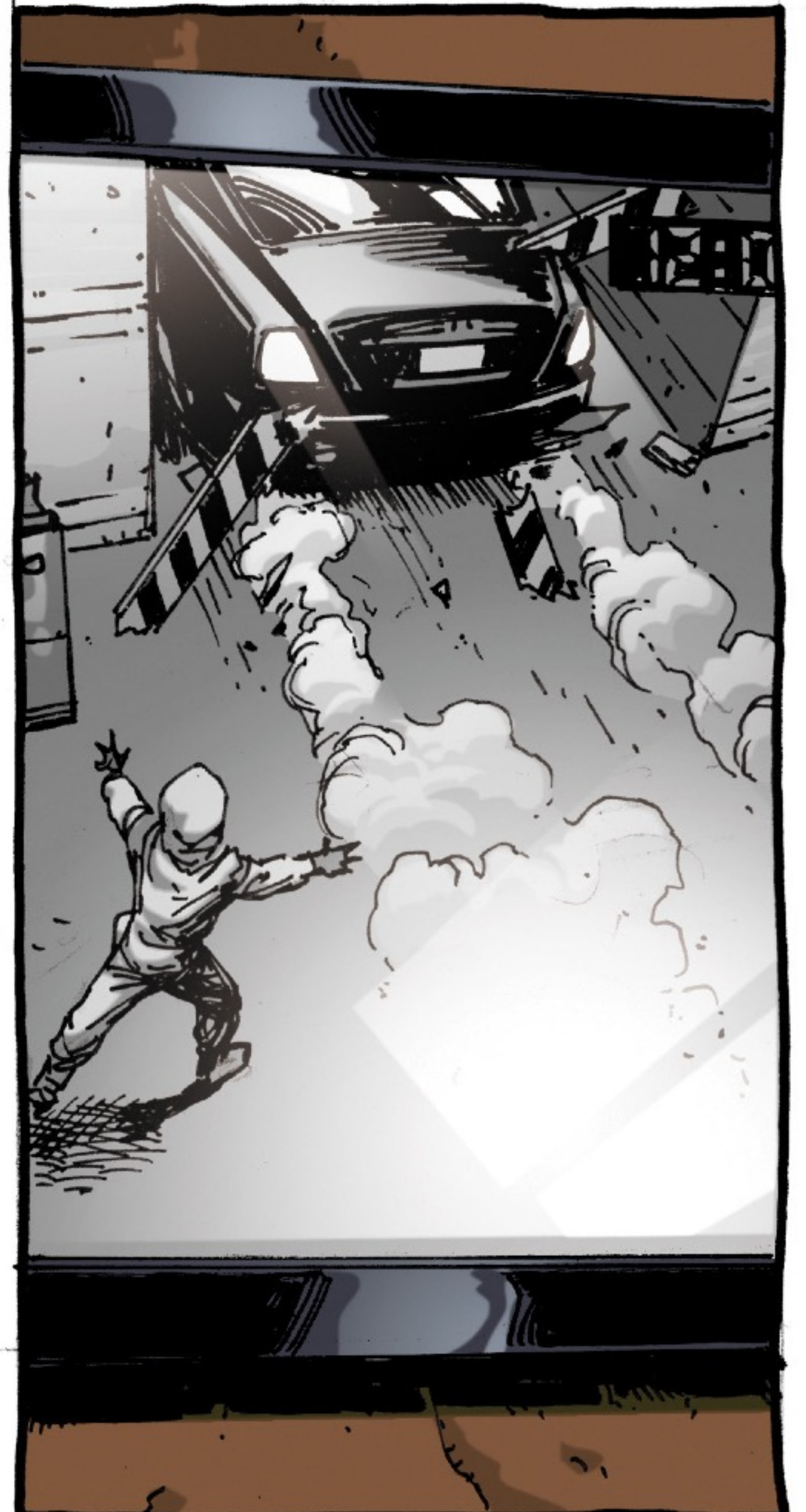
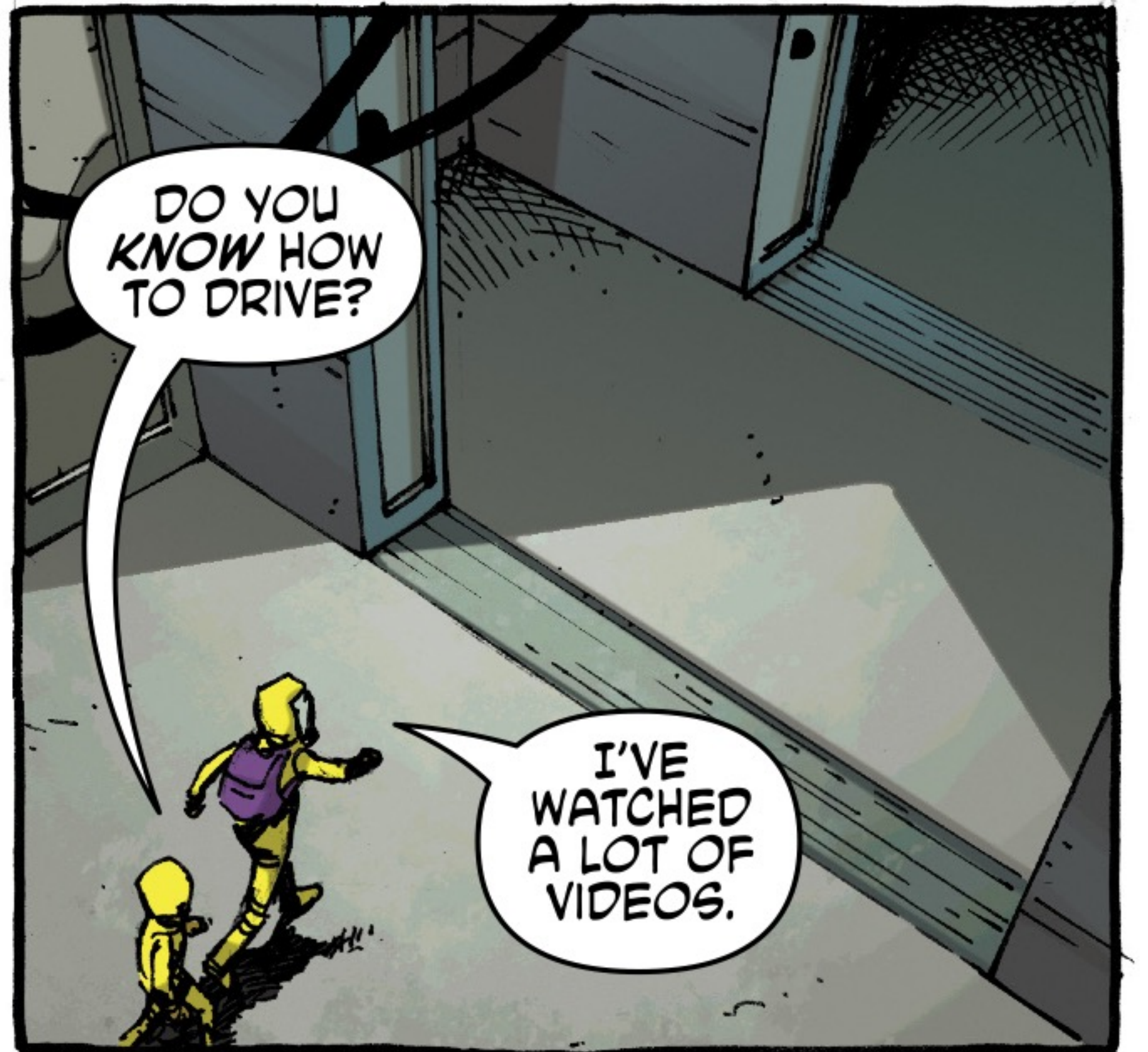
WHAT'S IN THE BAG, MOM?

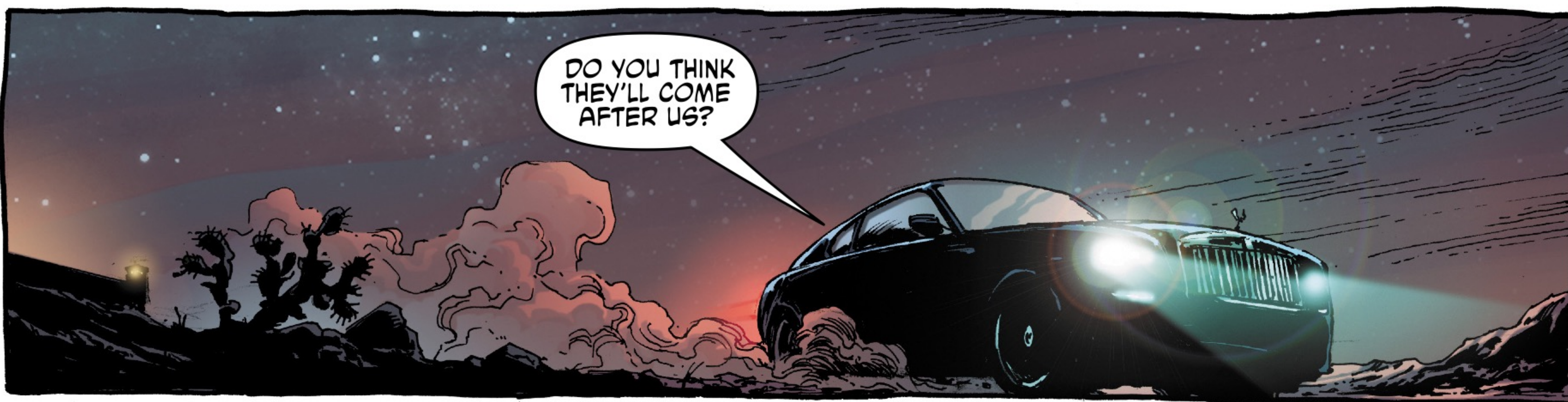




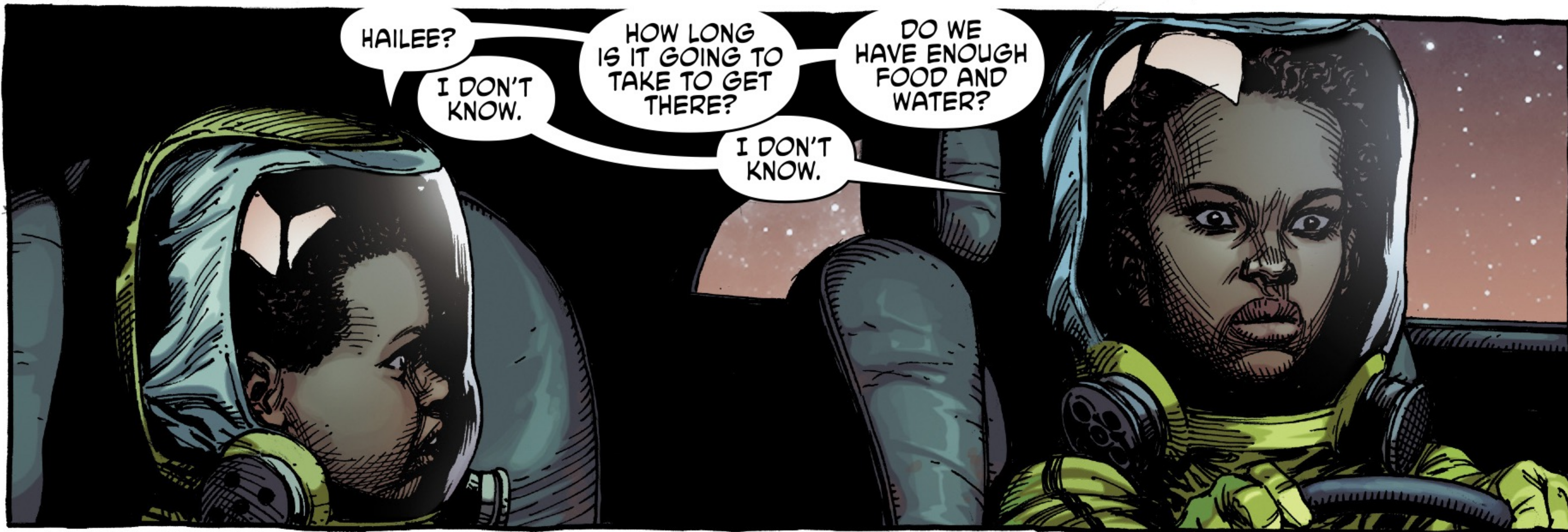








DO YOU THINK
THEY'LL COME
AFTER US?



HAILEE?

I DON'T
KNOW.

HOW LONG
IS IT GOING TO
TAKE TO GET
THERE?

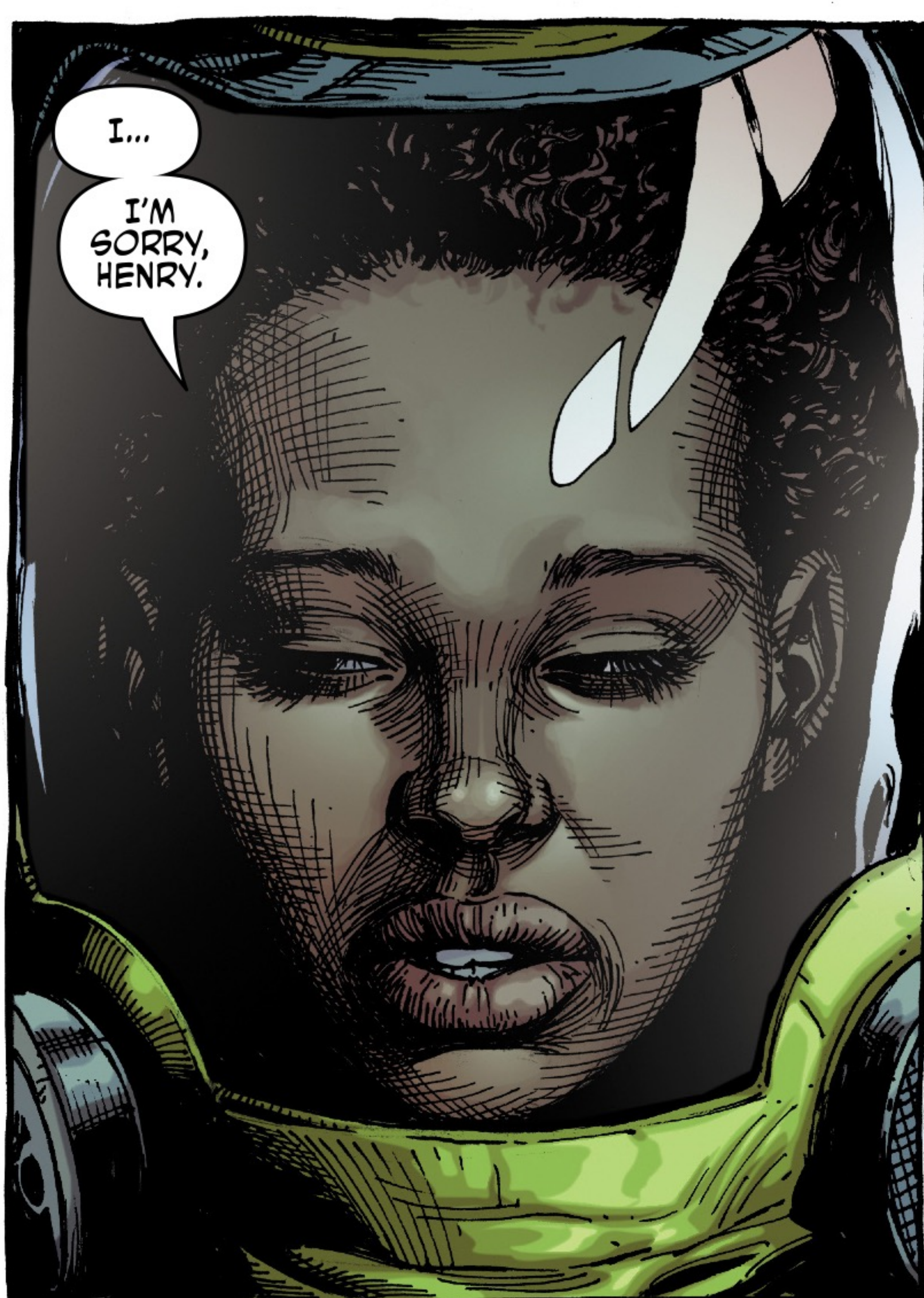
I DON'T
KNOW.

DO WE
HAVE ENOUGH
FOOD AND
WATER?

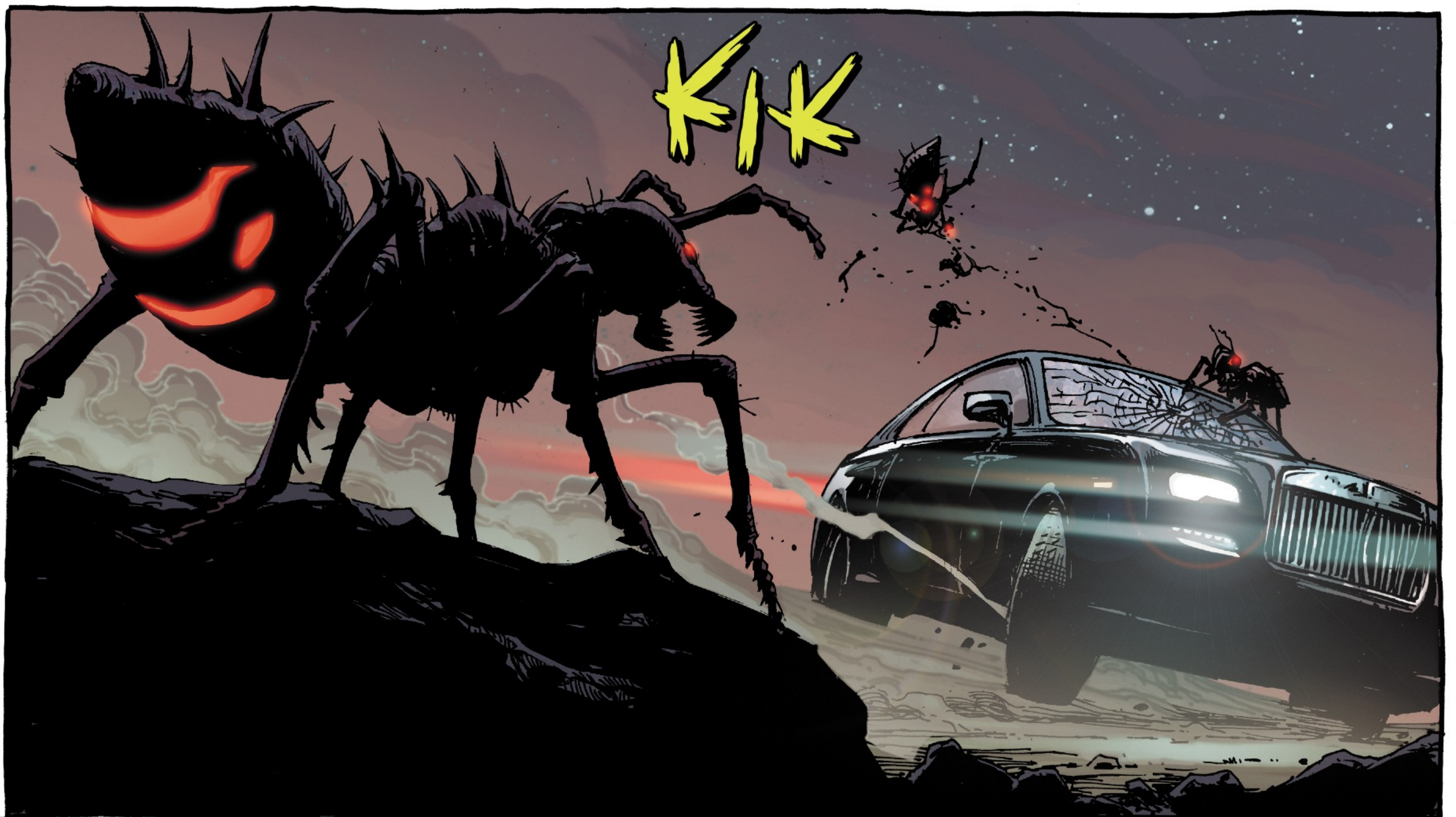
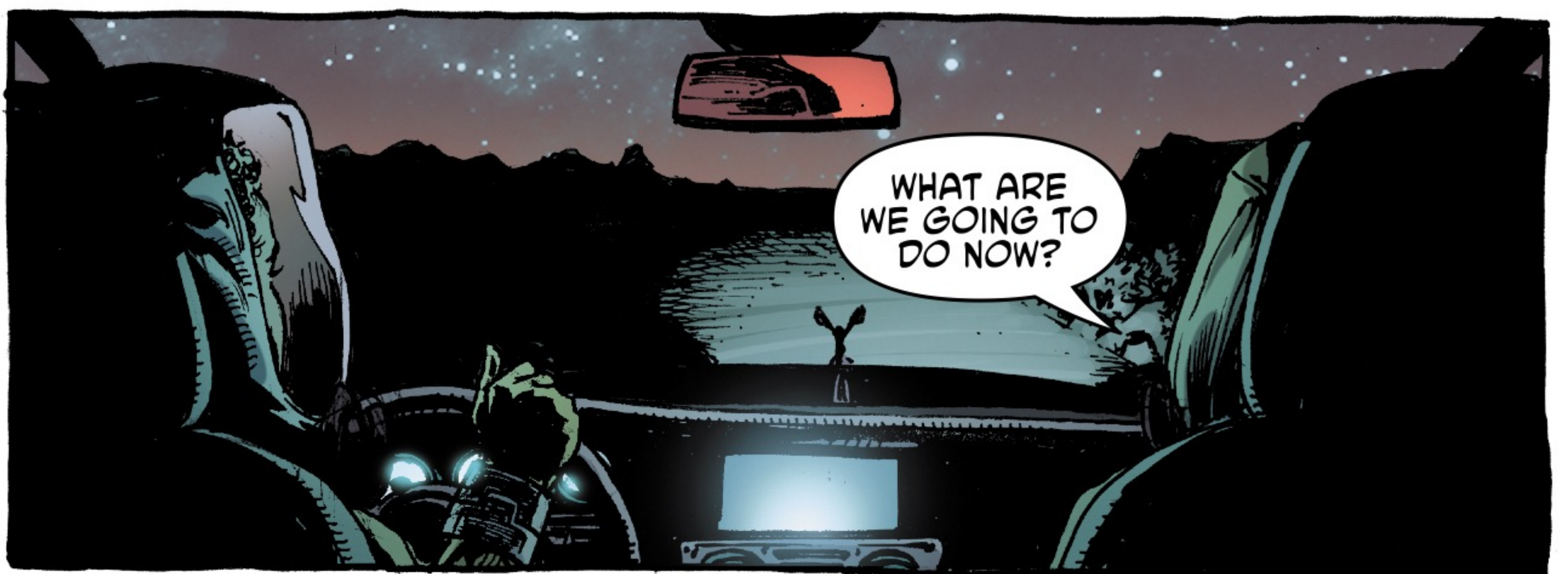
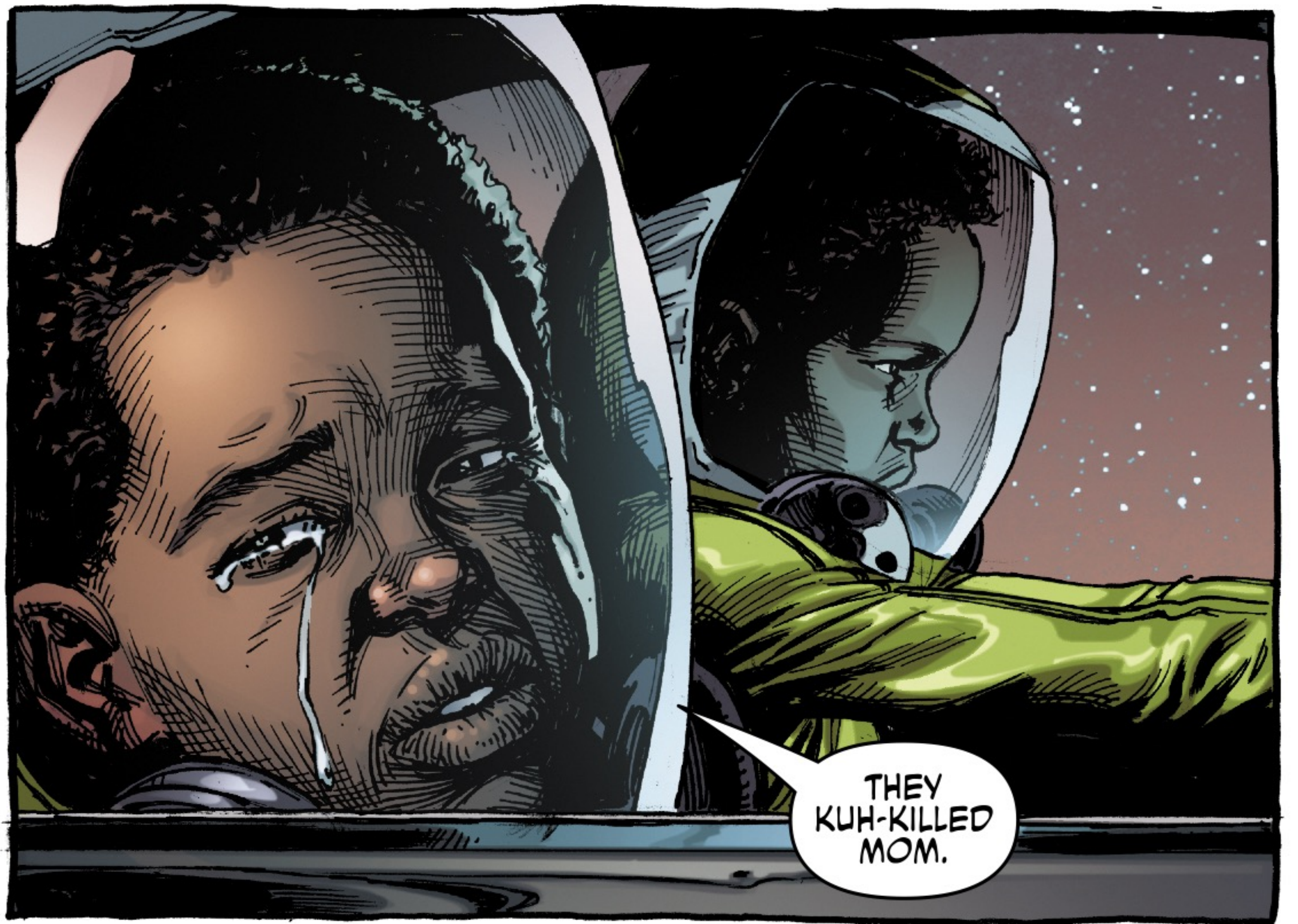
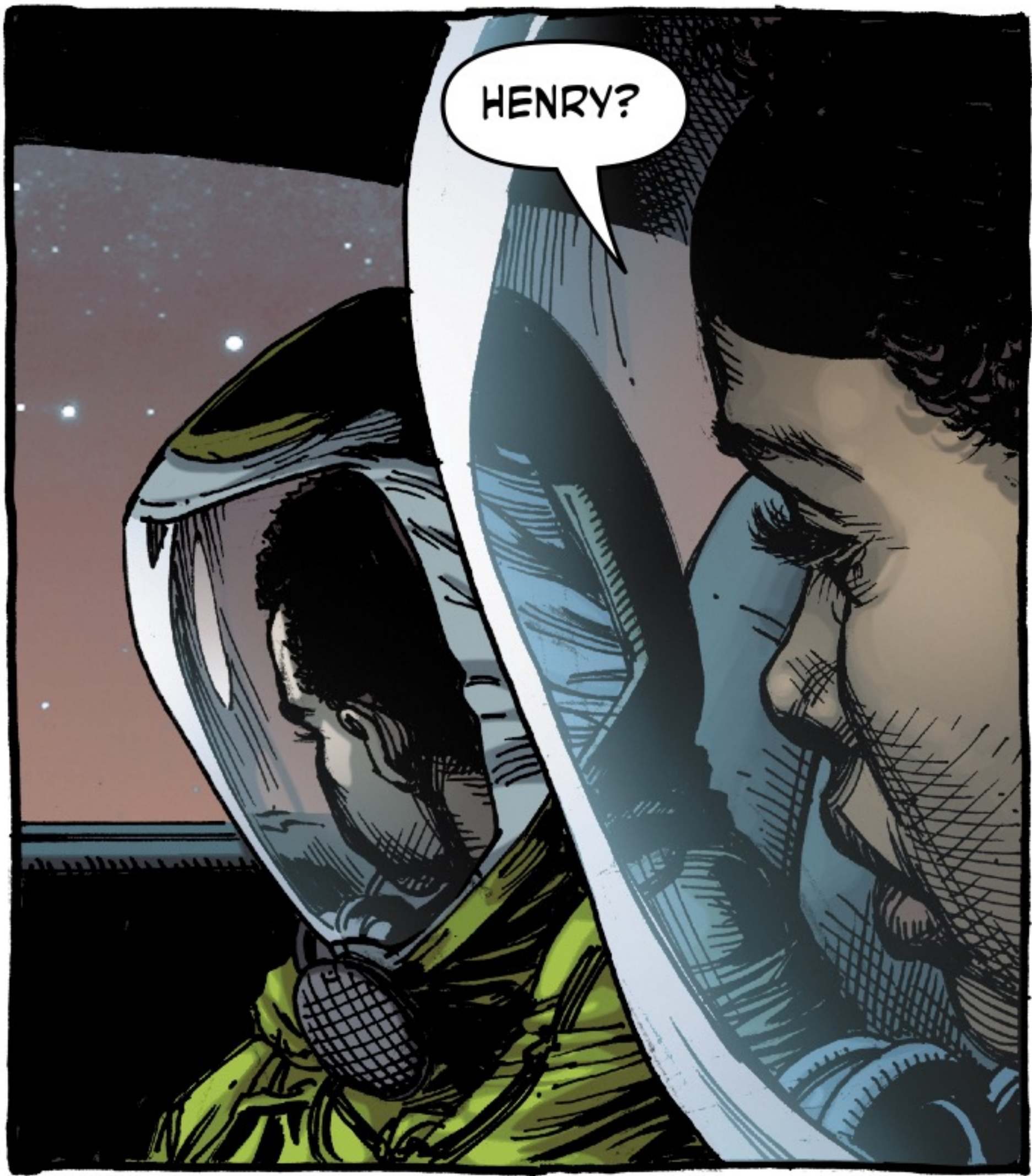


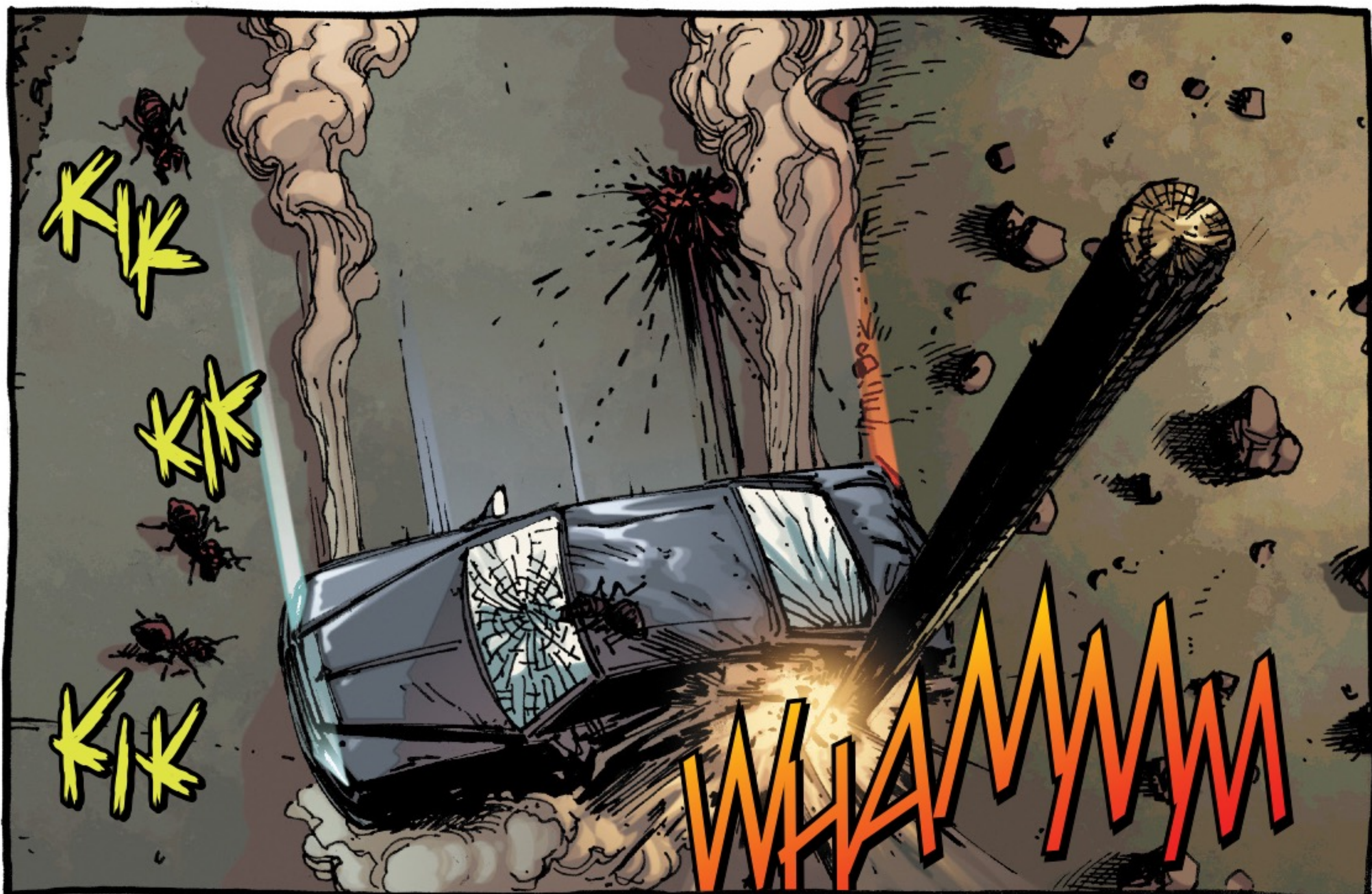
**I DON'T
KNOW!**

NOW
SHUT UP, I'M
TRYING TO
DRIVE!



I...
I'M
SORRY,
HENRY.













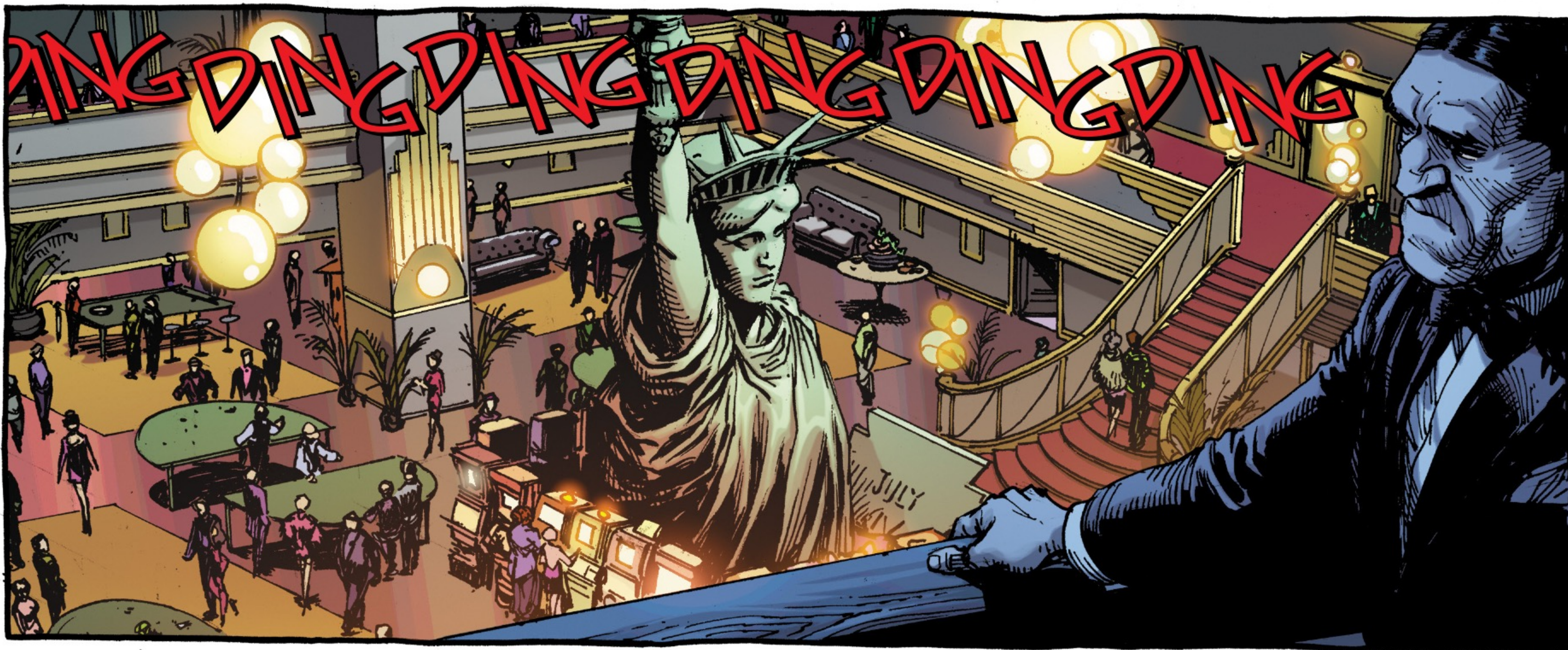
THOUGH
BEFORE YOU
GO...

...YOU HAVE
ANY **GOOD**
BOOKS ON
YOU?



**BRING
ME MY
MASK!**









CHAPTER THREE



ANDERSON

"HOW DANGEROUS IS IT?"



THIS FORM OF SYSTEMIC RADIOISOTOPE THERAPY IS ADMITTEDLY EXPERIMENTAL, TRACY...



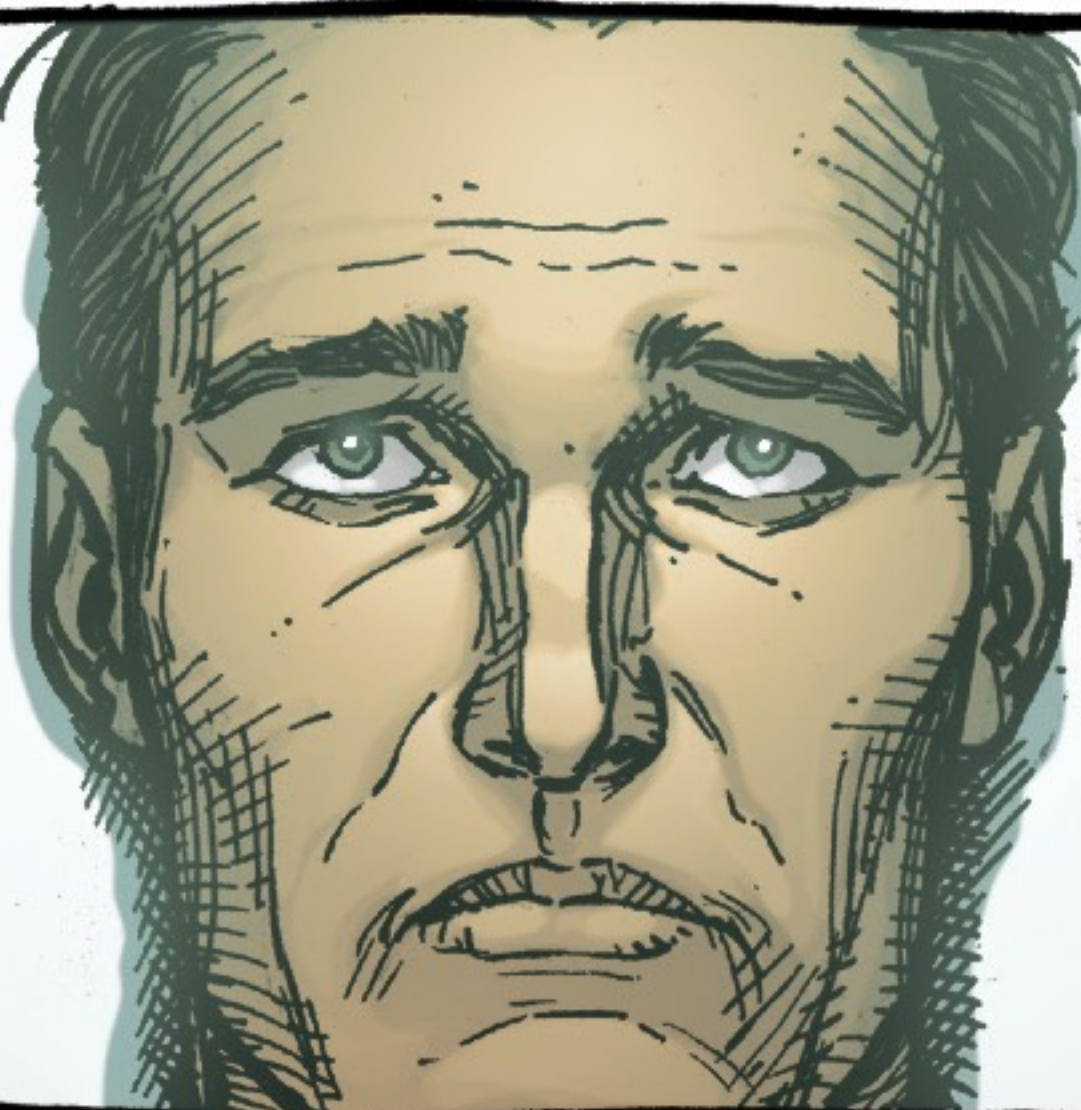
...BUT OUR SUCCESS RATE FOR REDUCING MALIGNANT TUMORS, EVEN IN THE MOST AGGRESSIVE STAGES LIKE THIS, HAS BEEN ENCOURAGING.

"THERE'S ALWAYS A RISK WITH TARGETED INTERNAL RADIATION, BUT USING IT TO ATTACK BONE METASTASIS IS NOT A NEW IDEA.



"TARIQ'S TREATMENT WILL BE A COMBINATION OF DRUG DELIVERY AND OUR LINEAR ACCELERATOR.

"OUR HOPE IS THE CANCEROUS CELLS IN YOUR HUSBAND'S BONES WILL BE AFFECTED..."



"...WHILE THE HEALTHY CELLS WILL BE SPARED."

HENRY, IT'S HIM.



THE GLOWING MAN...

THE NAME'S
GEIGER.





I THOUGHT HE WOULD BE TALLER.

HE LOOKS PRETTY TALL TO ME.

I'M HAILEE. THIS IS MY BROTHER, HENRY.



THANK YOU FOR SAVING US FROM THOSE... THINGS.



NIGHTCRAWLERS.

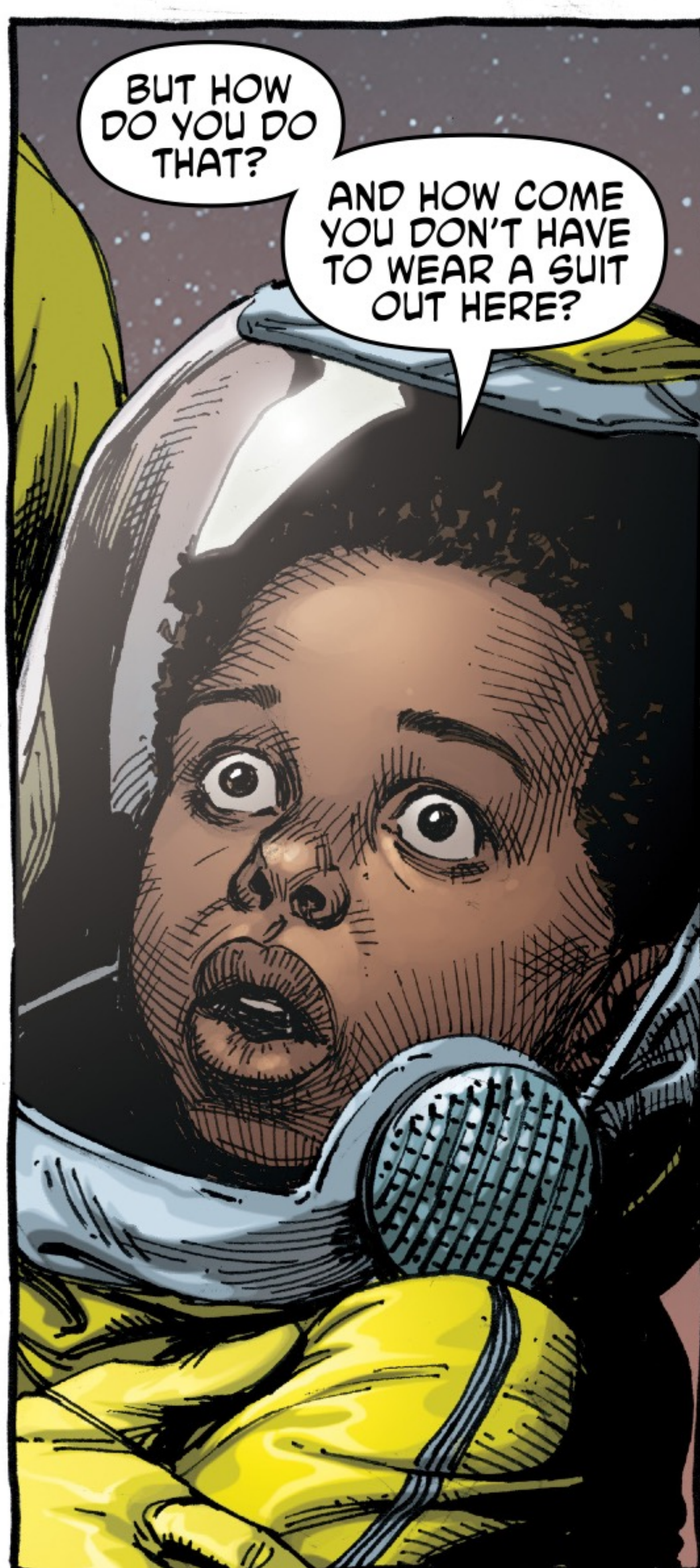
WE NEED TO GO. THESE ARE SCOUTS, BUT THERE WILL BE SOLDIERS NOT FAR AWAY.

WHAT IS HE?



PLEASE, DON'T STARE, KID.

IT ISN'T POLITE.



BUT HOW DO YOU DO THAT?

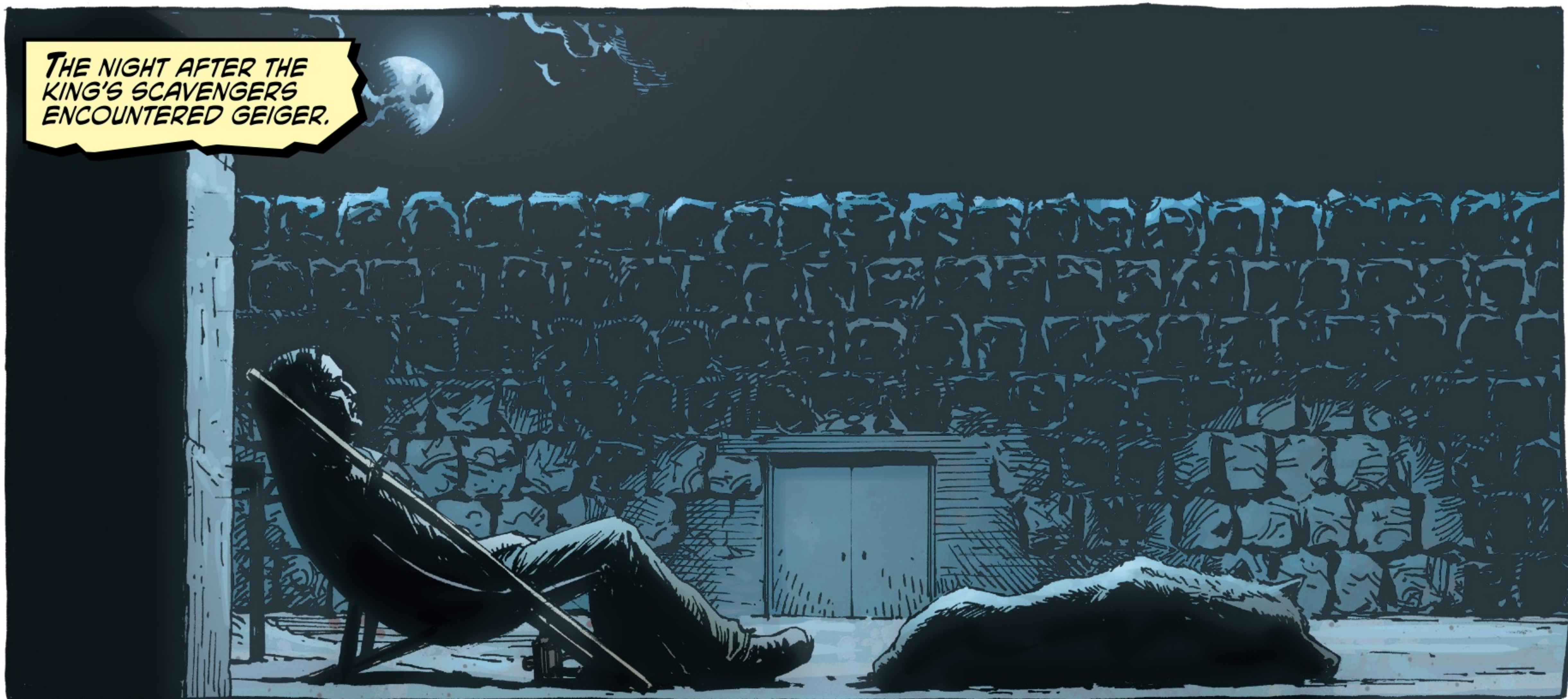
AND HOW COME YOU DON'T HAVE TO WEAR A SUIT OUT HERE?



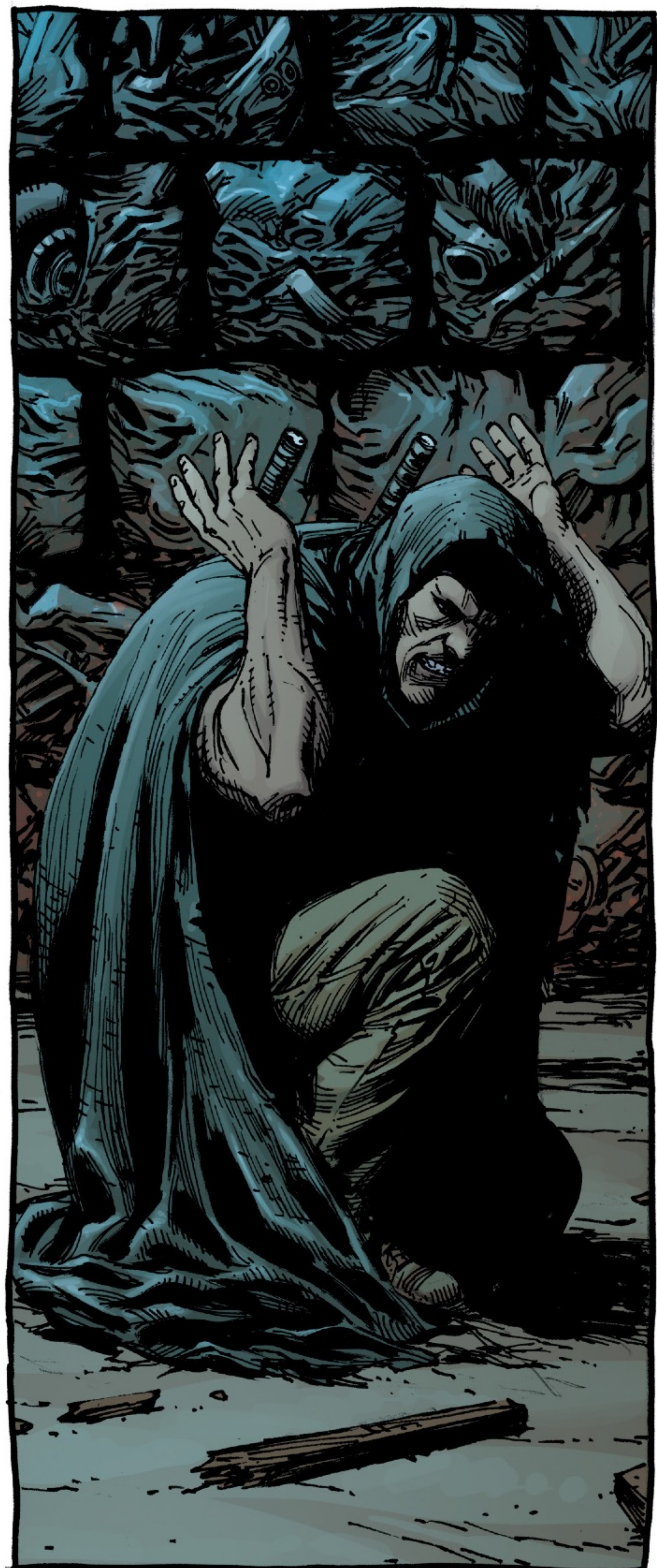
GET BACK IN YOUR CAR AND GO HOME.



THE NIGHT AFTER THE
KING'S SCAVENGERS
ENCOUNTERED GEIGER.









THE CAR
WON'T START.



I DON'T
WANT TO STAY
OUT HERE.



I HATE IT
OUT HERE!

"DON'T LET
HIM MOVE..."



...HE'S GOT THESE
RODS IN HIS BACK. HE
TAKES THEM OUT, HE'LL
LIGHT UP LIKE A **SLOT**
MACHINE.



BET YOU
REGRET
KICKING IN MY
TEETH NOW,
YA FREAK.

WE'RE
BACK TO TAKE
EVERYTHING
YOU GOT!

OH NO...



EVERYTHING
THE MONSTER
HAS...



...BELONGS
TO ME.

INCLUDING
HIS HEAD.



HE'S GOT A
WHOLE ARSENAL
IN HERE, KING!

YES, YES.
MORE GUNS. LOAD
THEM ALL UP, OF
COURSE, BUT WHERE IS
THE CREATURE I'VE
COME TO SLAY?

I'LL PUT
HIS GLOWING
CORPSE IN THE
CASINO FOR ALL
TO BELIEVE IN MY
GREATNESS.

HE'S
HERE.



WHERE?

RIGHT
HERE.

HIM?
NO...THAT
CAN'T BE
THE MYTH.

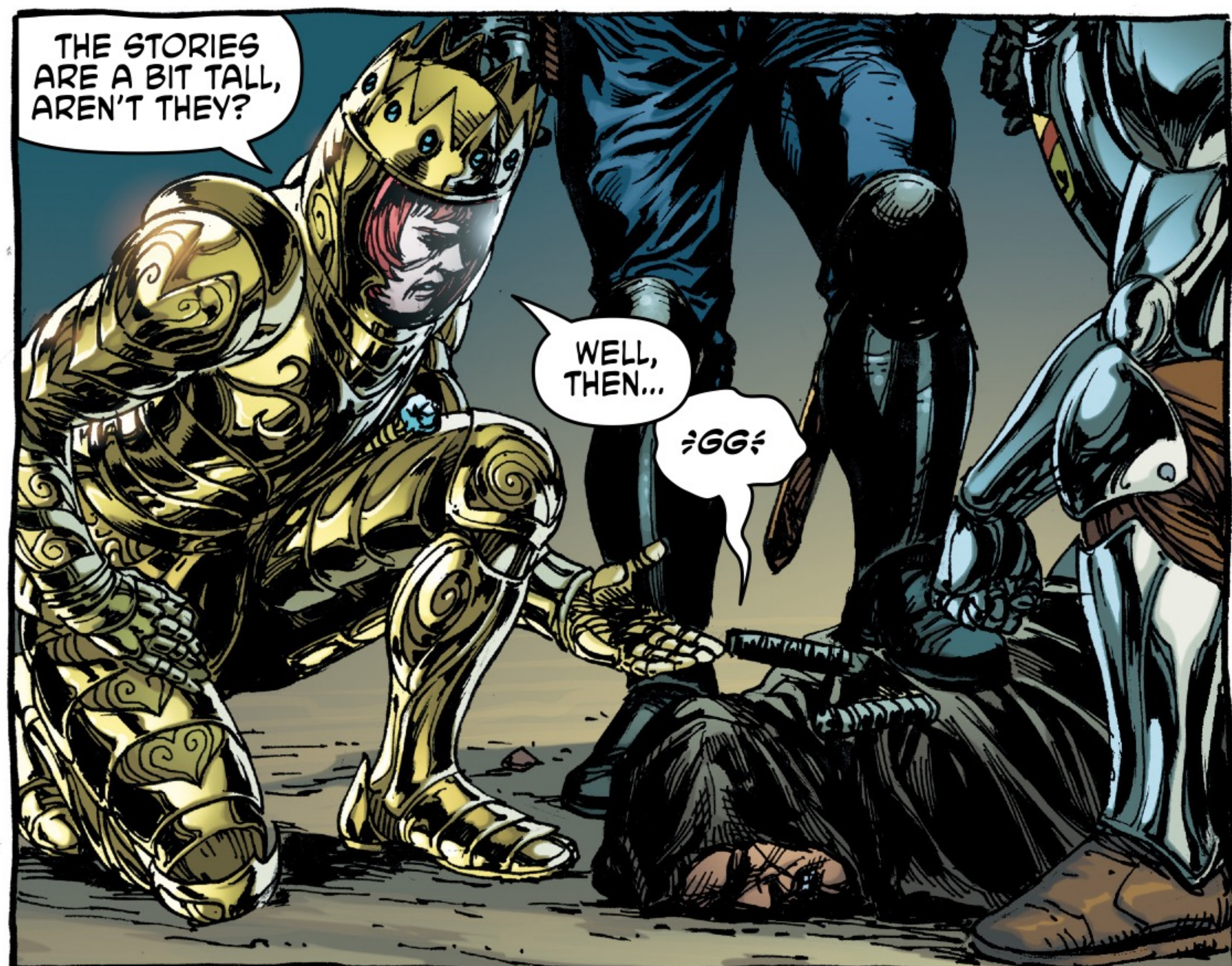
HE'S
NOTHING
SPECIAL.

HE'S NOT
WEARING
A SUIT.



YOU HAVE TO
BE JOKING.

THIS IS THE HORRIBLE
GLOWING MAN WHO'S BEEN
ATTACKING MY SCAVENGERS?
THE ONE EVERYONE IN
VEGAS HAS NIGHTMARES
ABOUT?



THE STORIES
ARE A BIT TALL,
AREN'T THEY?

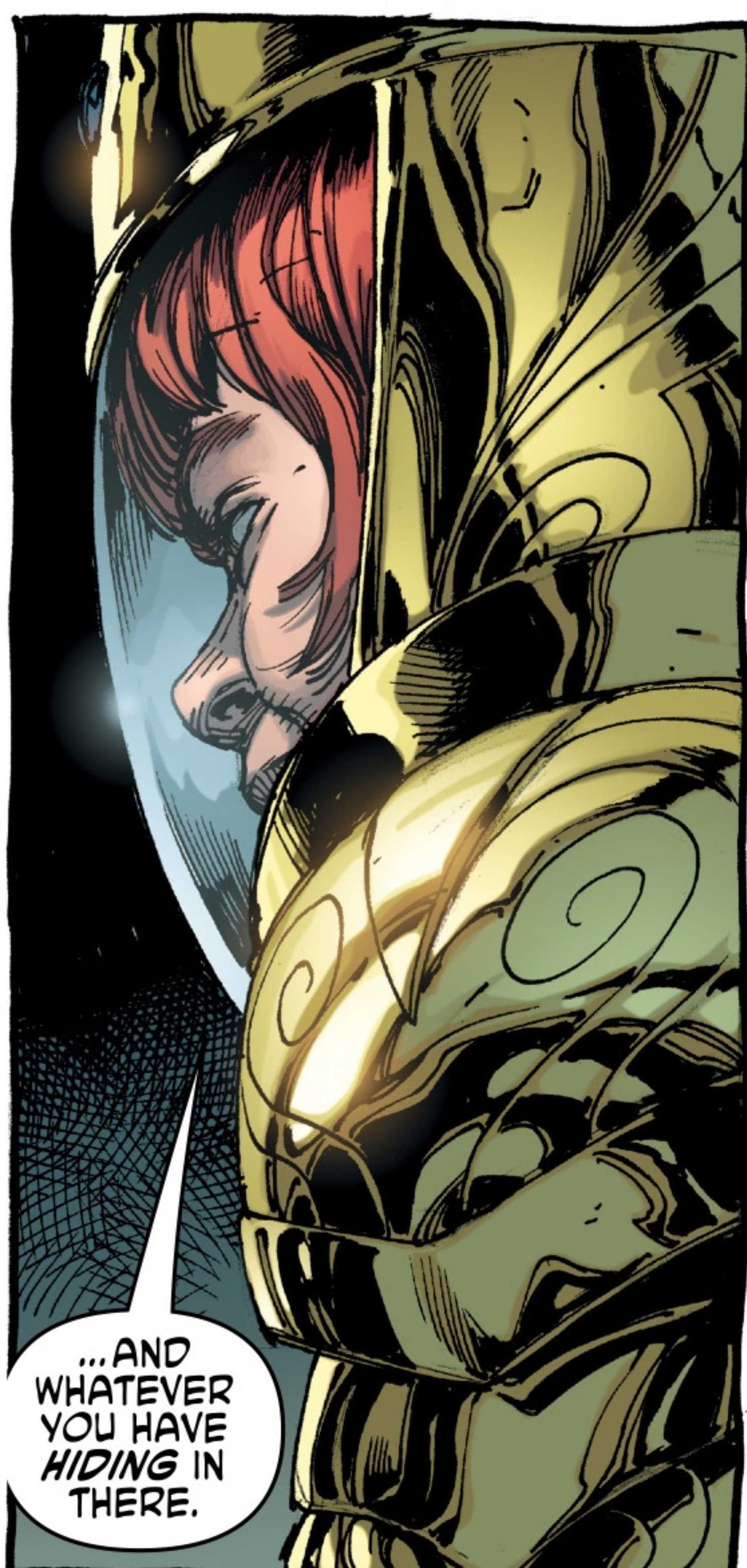
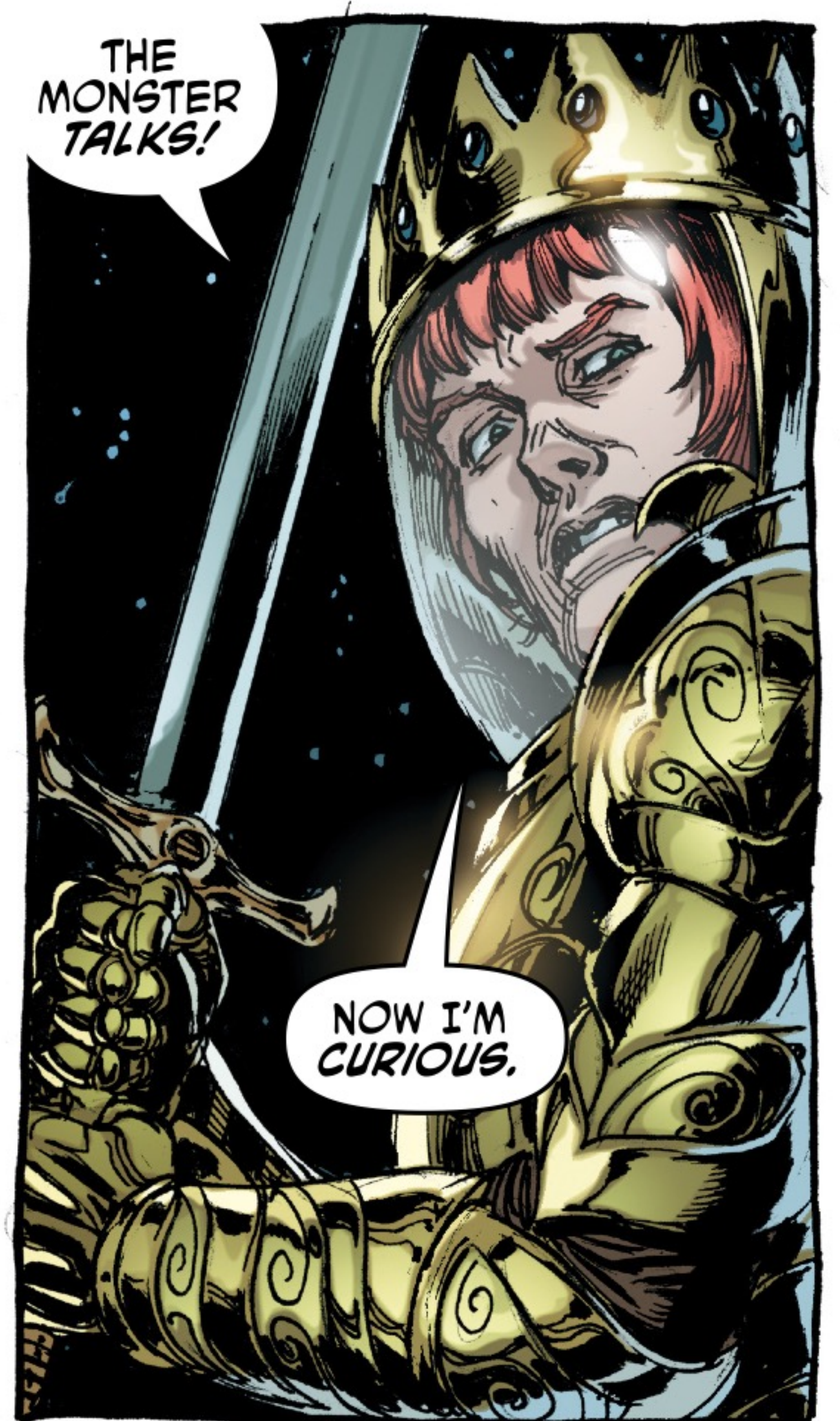
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THEN...

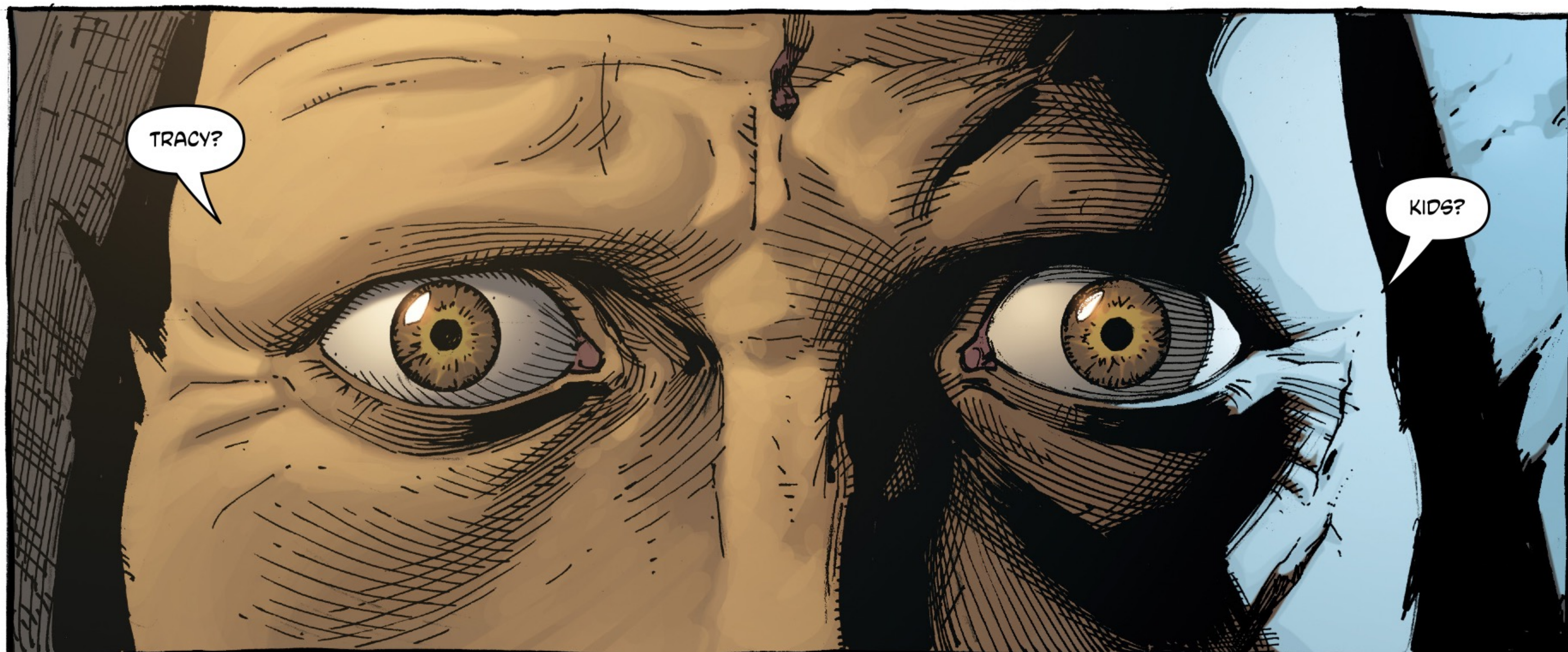
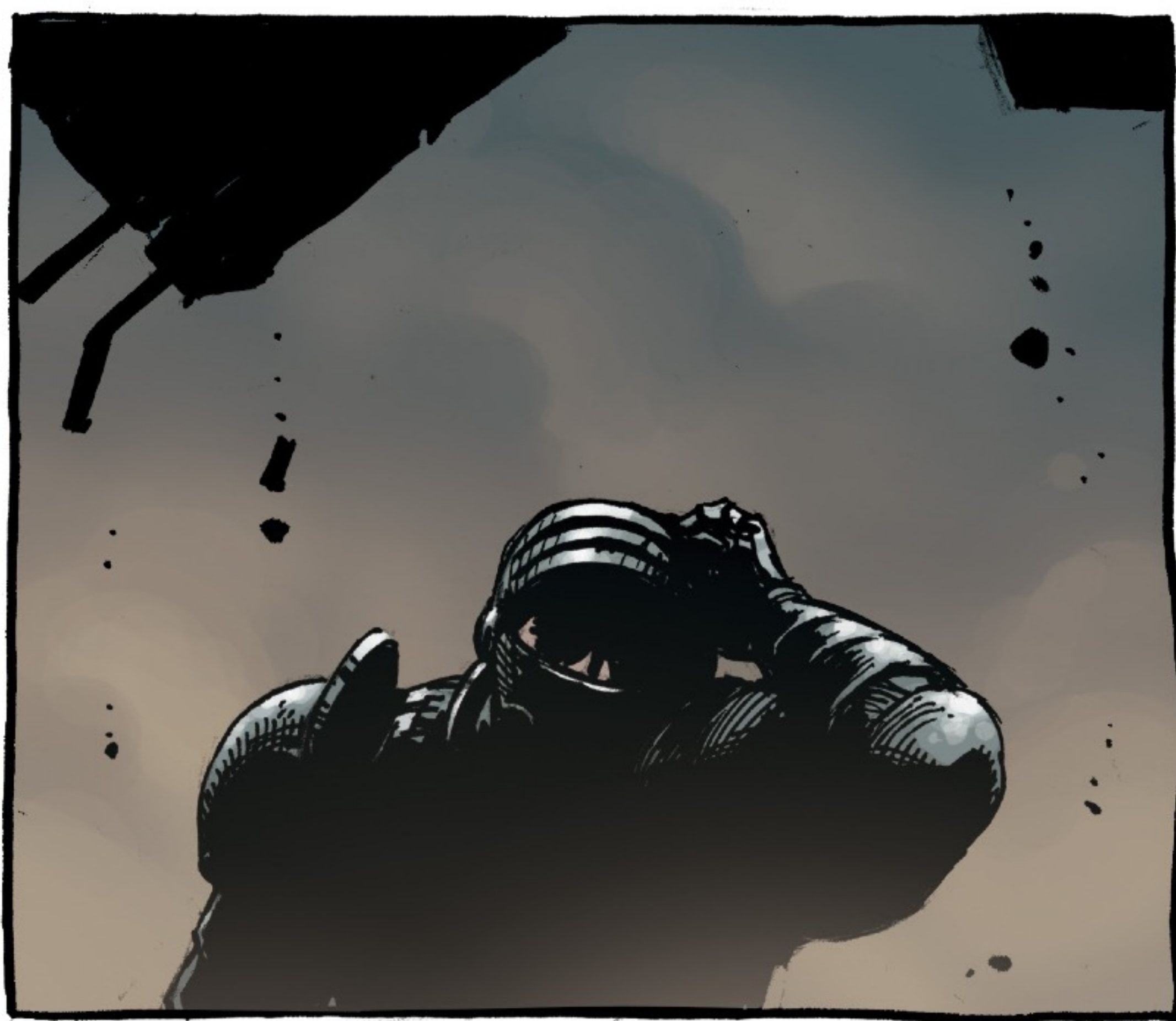
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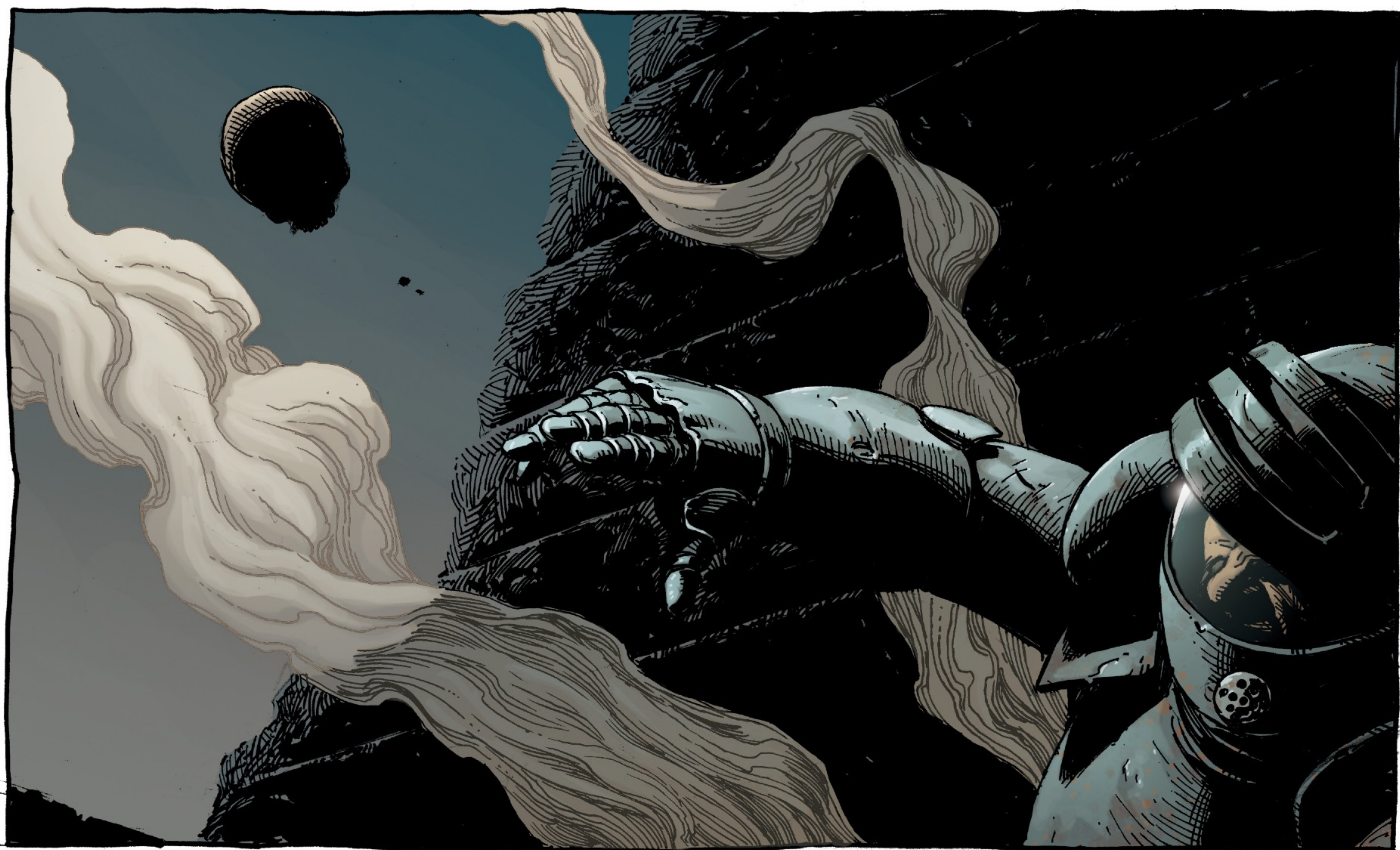
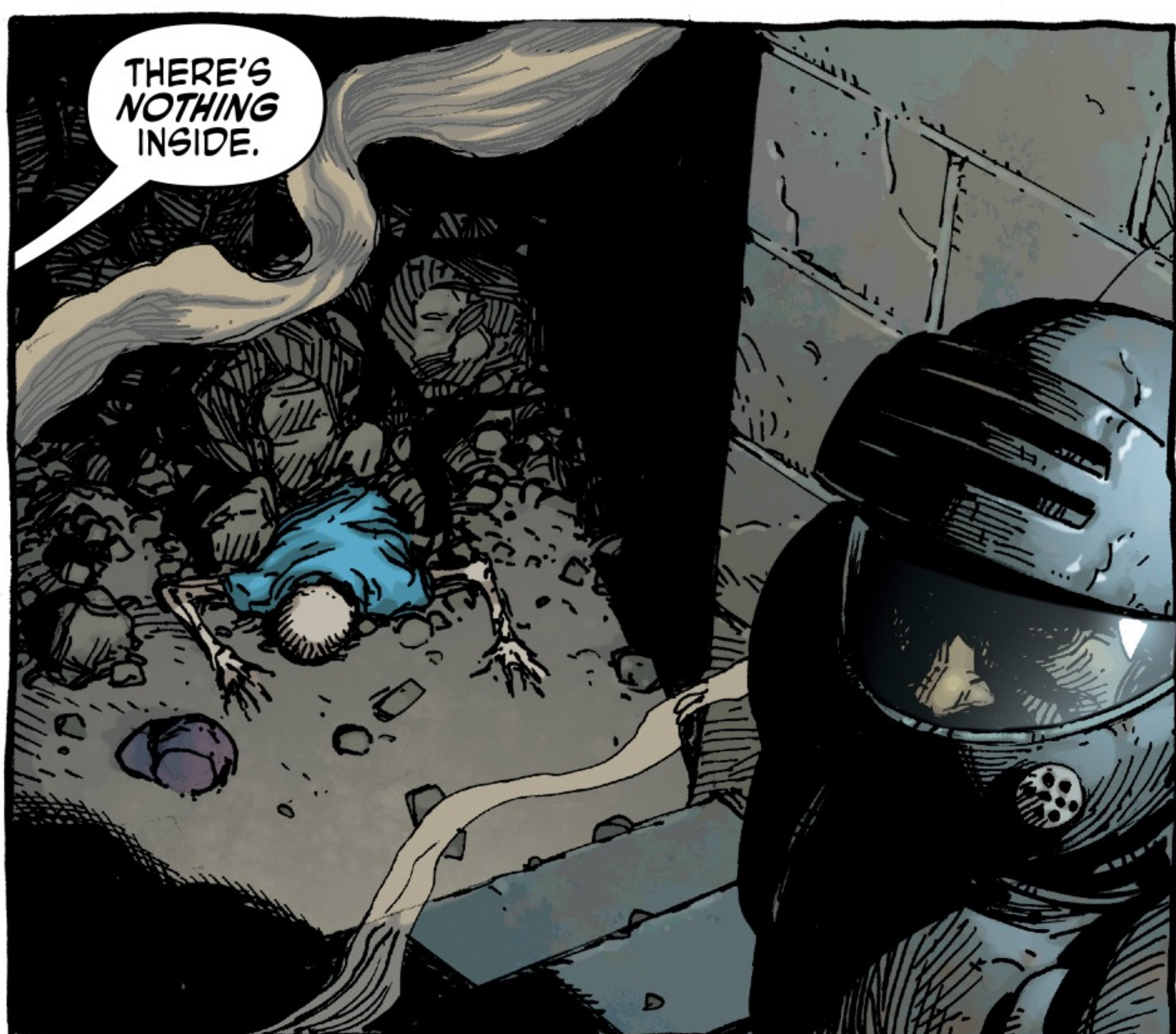


SHING









"SHUT THE DOOR."

"LOCK IT AND DO NOT OPEN IT FOR ANYTHING, DO YOU UNDERSTAND?"



THAT WAS THE MOMENT GEIGER FINALLY FACED THE TRUTH...



"YOU'LL KILL EVERYTHING YOU TOUCH NOW, TARIQ..."



...BUT I CAN HELP YOU.



THE VEST WILL CONTAIN THE RADIOACTIVITY PROVIDED THE RODS STAY FASTENED.

ONLY REMOVE THEM IN AN EMERGENCY.

WE LOVE YOU.



"YOU BUILD UP TOO MUCH *POWER* WITHOUT THE RODS SECURED..."



"...AND EVERYTHING YOU HAVE INSIDE YOU..."



"...WILL EXPLODE."





WELL,
WHOEVER THEY WERE,
IT SEEMS THEY'VE
BEEN DEAD SINCE THE
BIG BOMBS HIT.



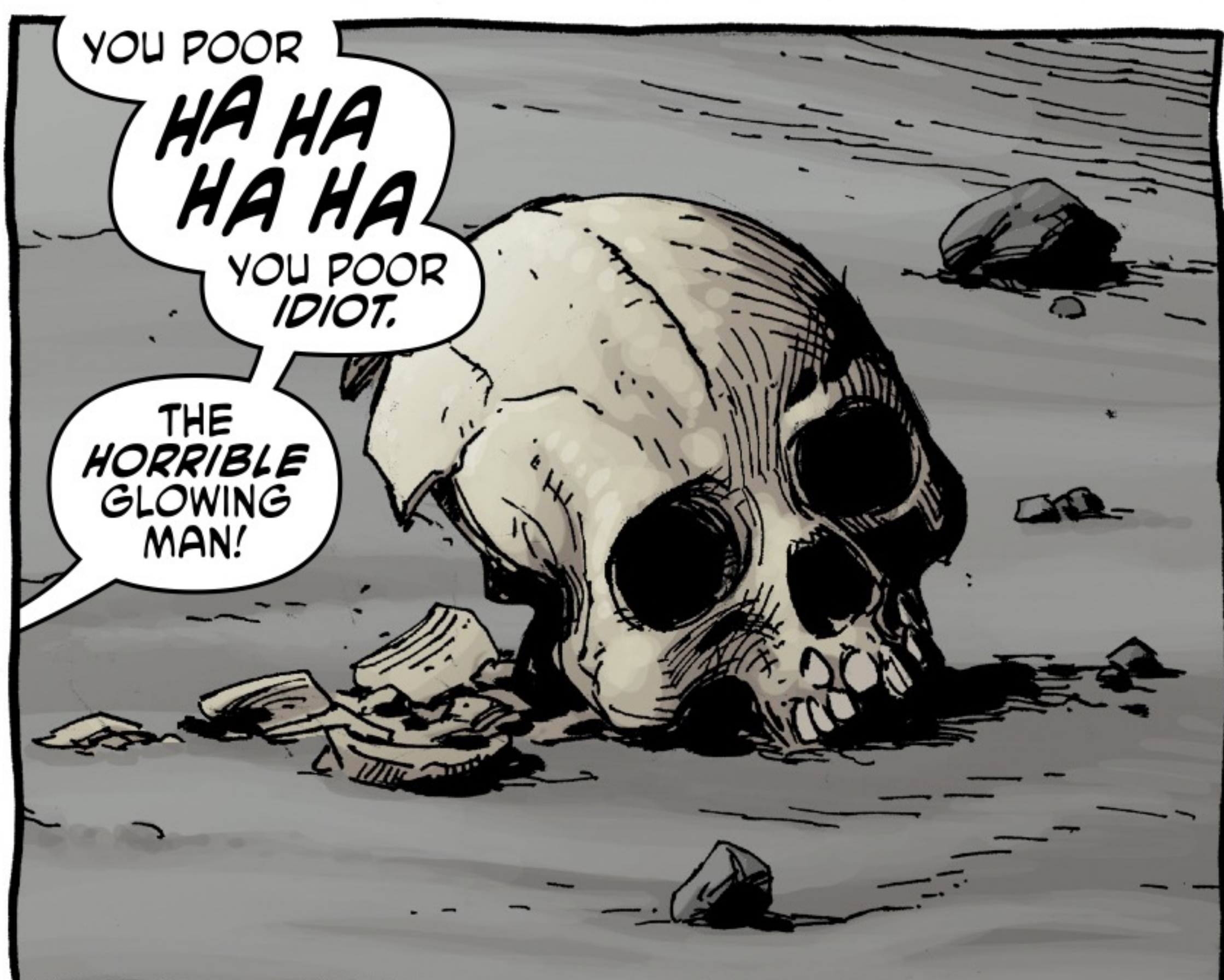
OH.
OH, WAIT.
HA HA.
DID YOU
KNOW THEM?
YOU **MUST**
HAVE.



BECAUSE YOU BUILT
A **WALL** AROUND THIS
SHELTER.
AND I ASSUME
YOU SCAVENGED
WEAPONS FROM
EVERYONE YOU RAN
INTO OUT HERE TO
PROTECT THEM,
hu-HA HA HA!



BUT
YOU'VE BEEN
PROTECTING
A **GRAVE**!
HA HA
HA!



YOU POOR
**HA HA
HA HA**
YOU POOR
IDIOT.
THE
**HORRIBLE
GLOWING
MAN**!



WHAT A
FOOL YOU
ARE!
HAHAHA!



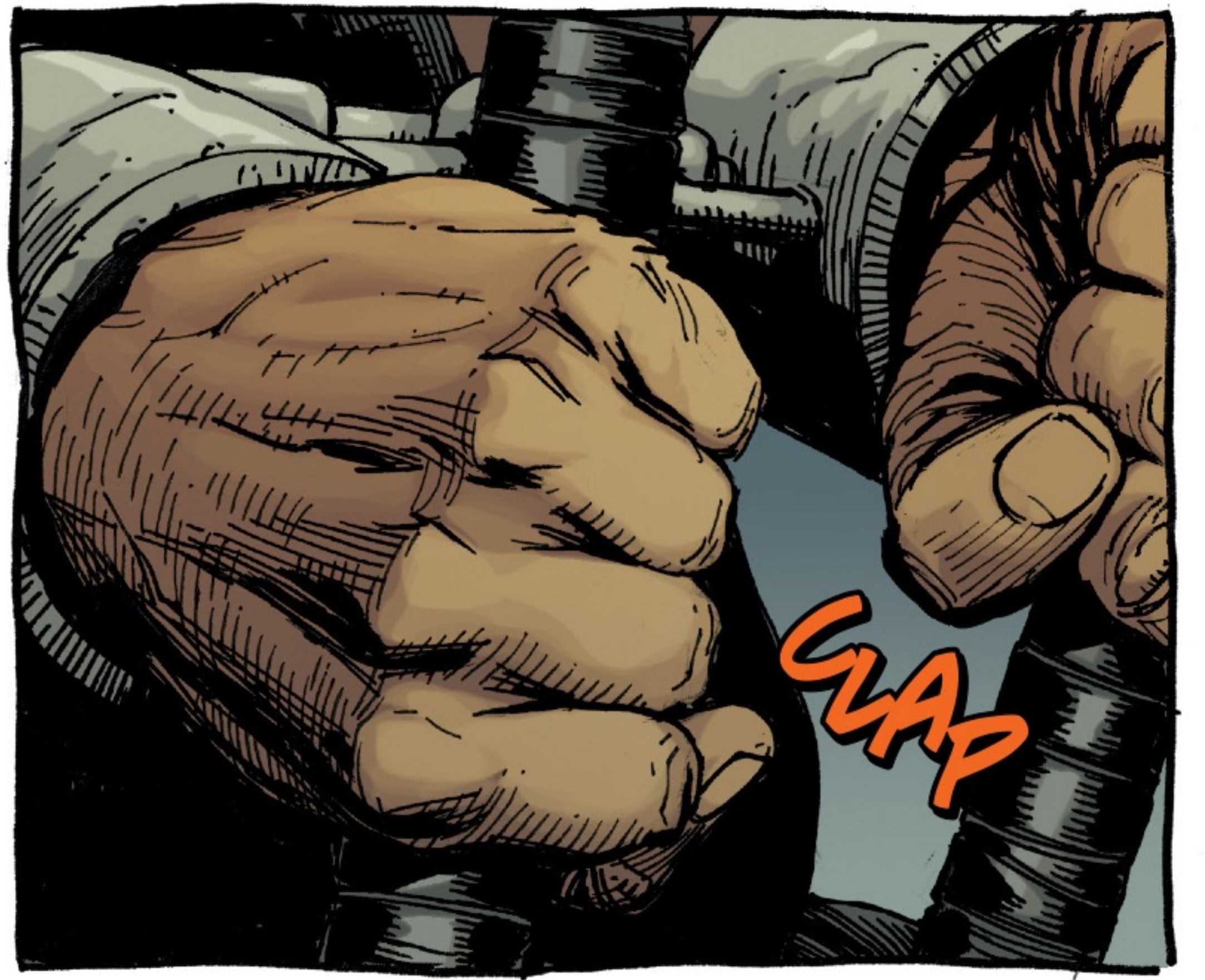
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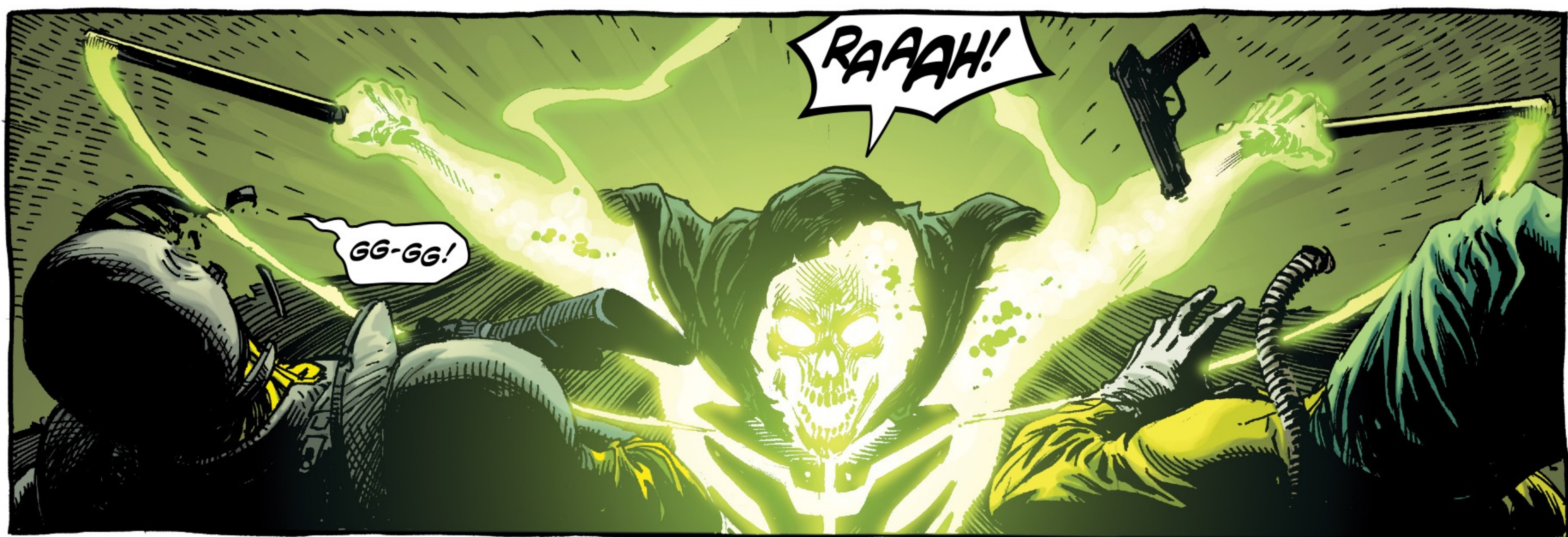


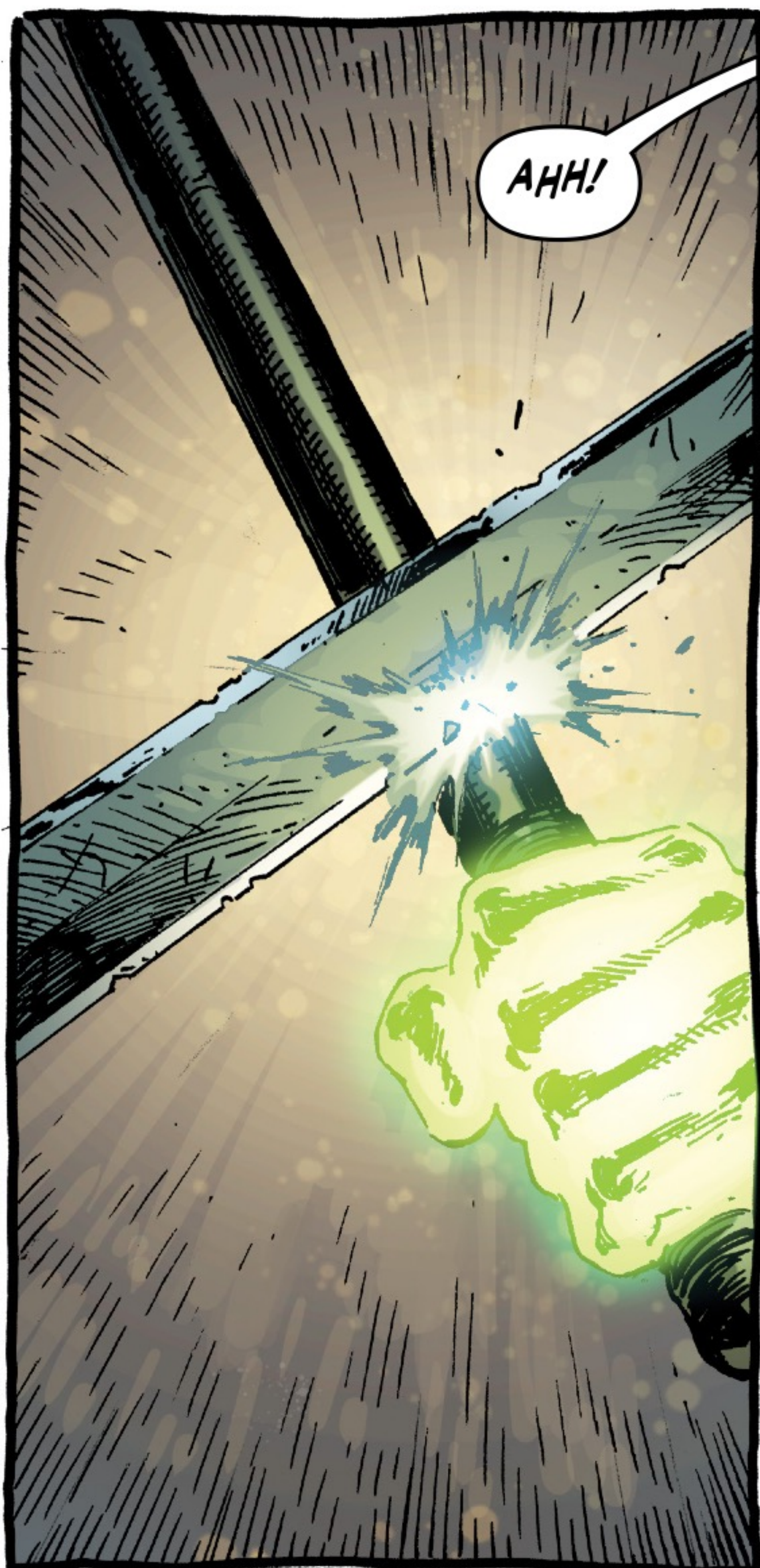
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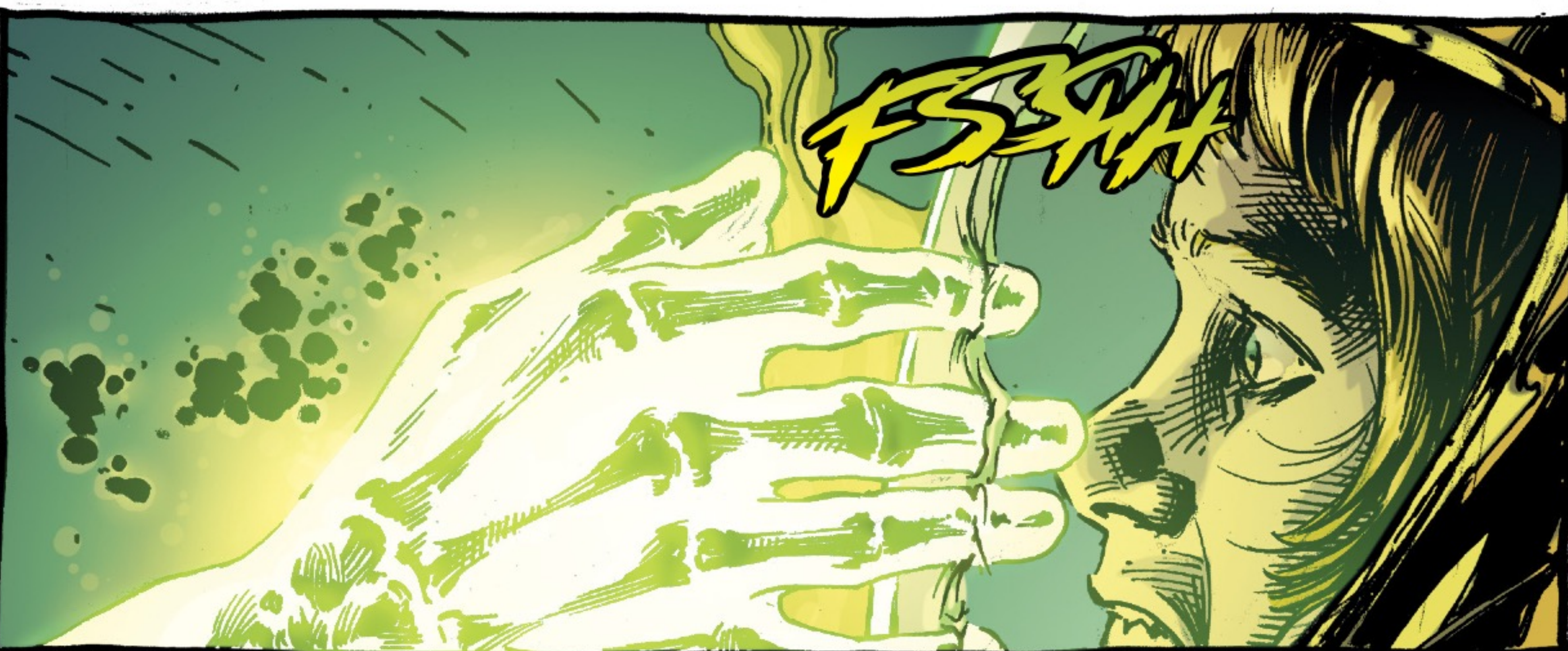
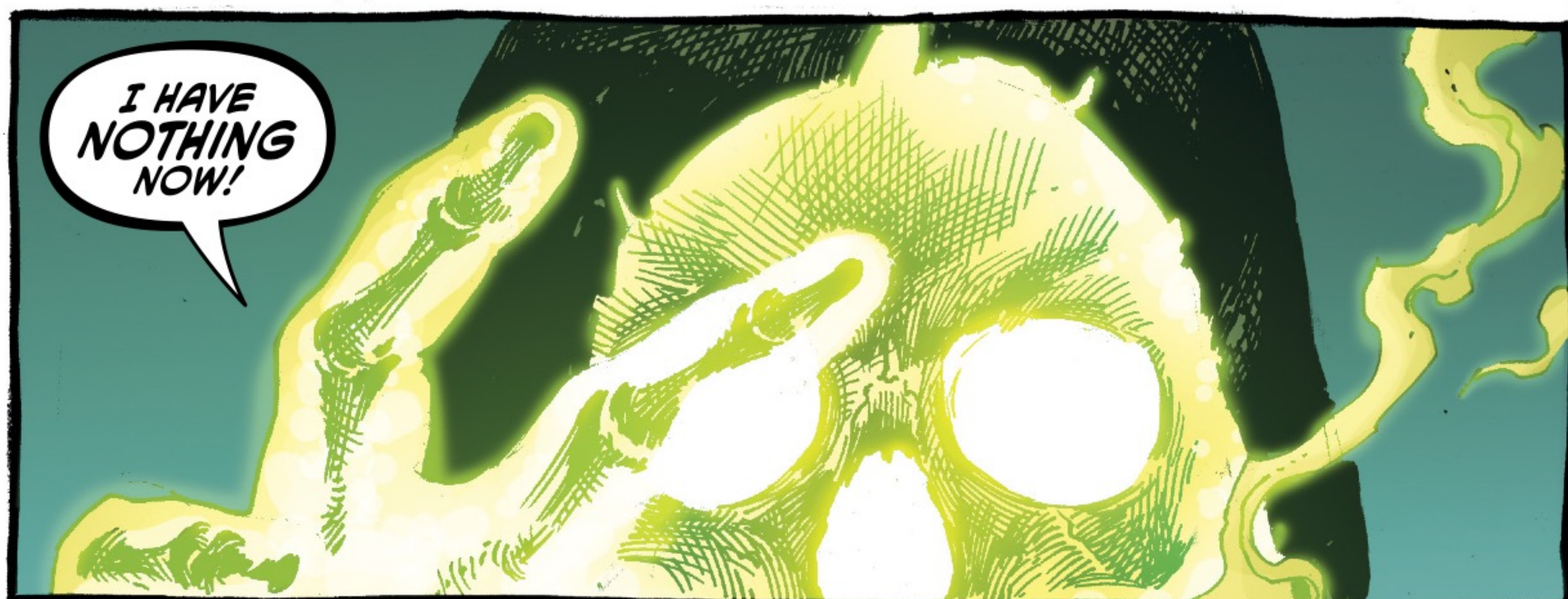
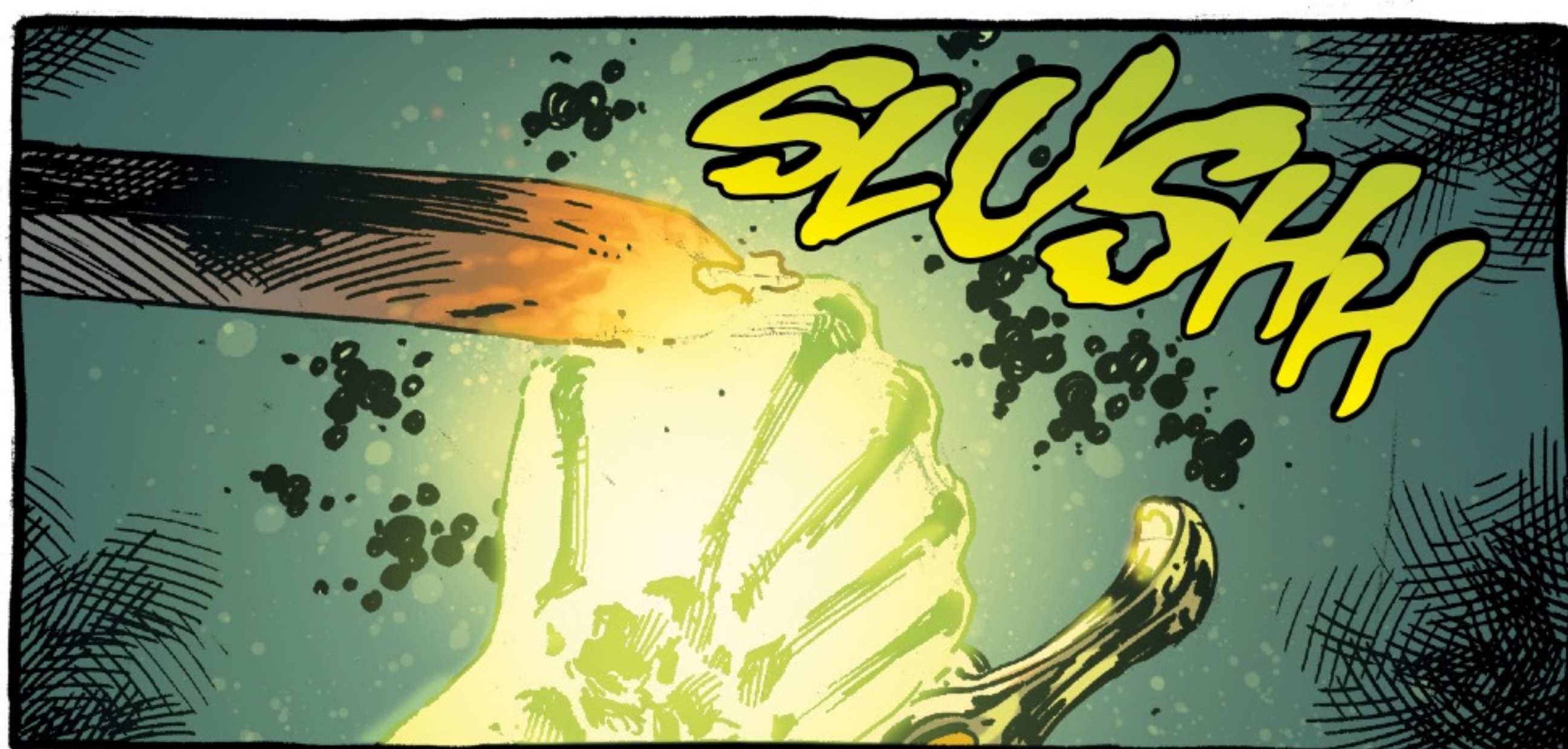


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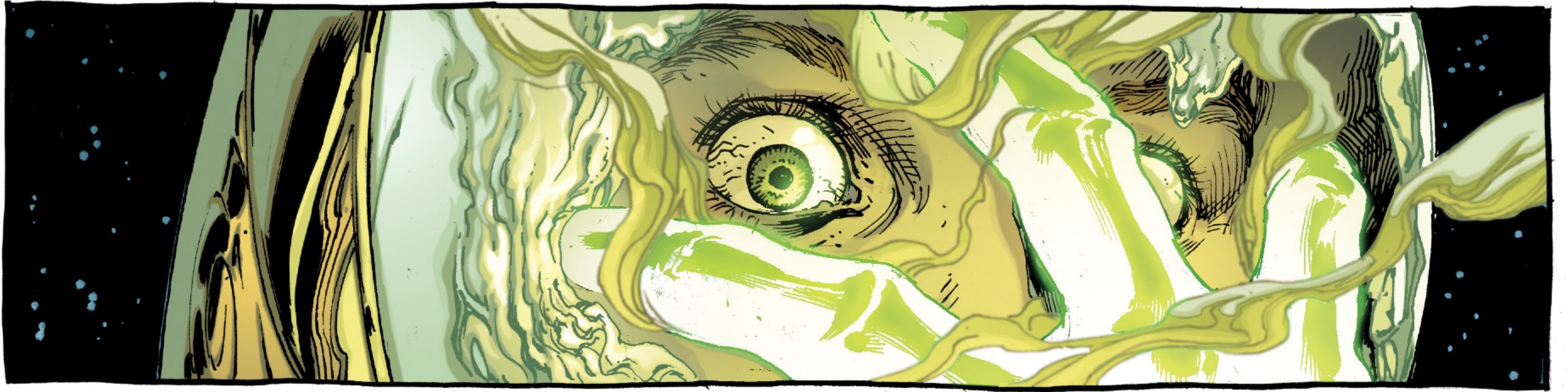




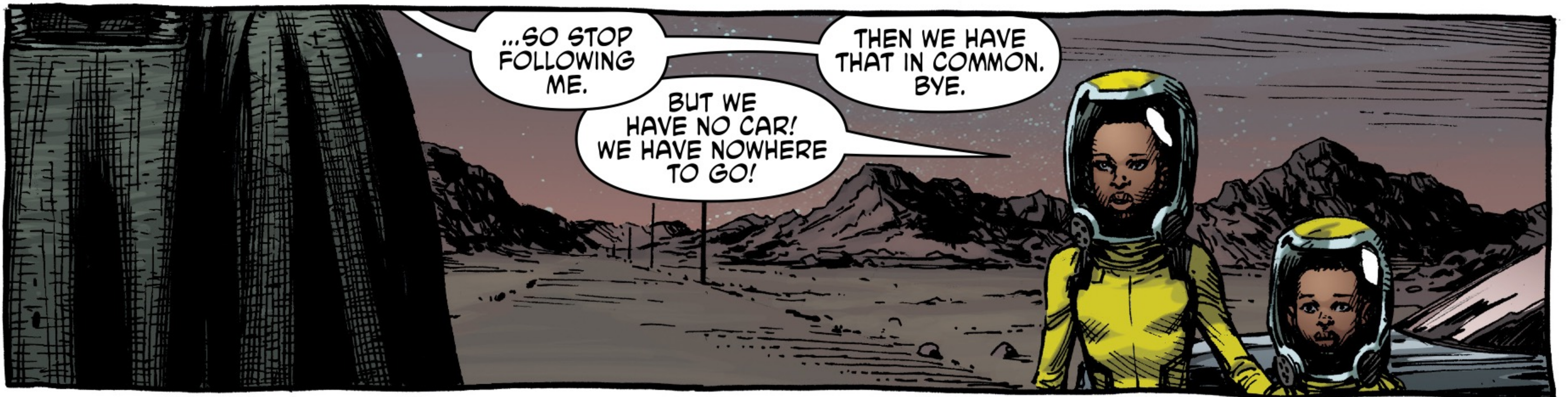


AAAAAYEEEEE!!





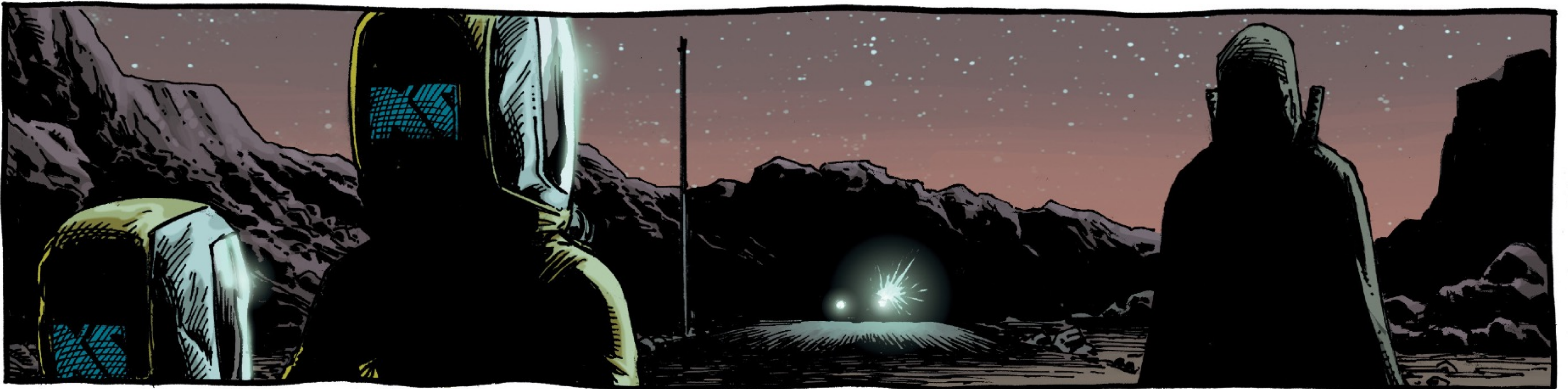
"I'VE GOT NOTHING
TO OFFER YOU..."

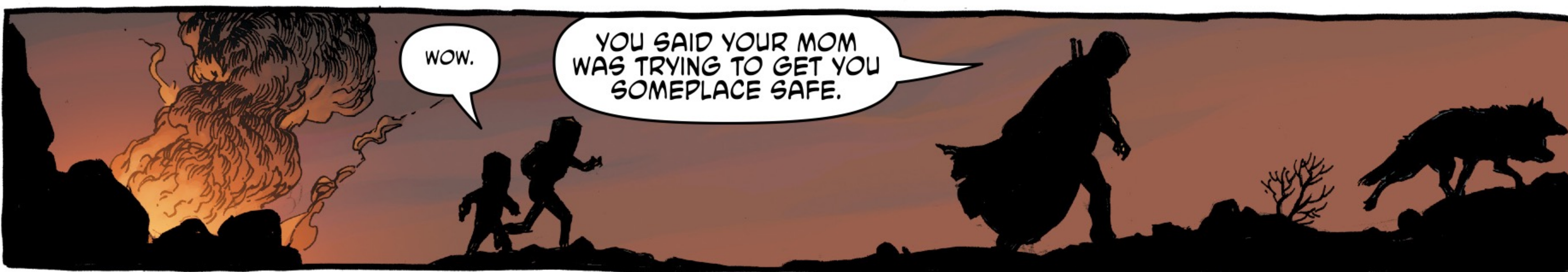
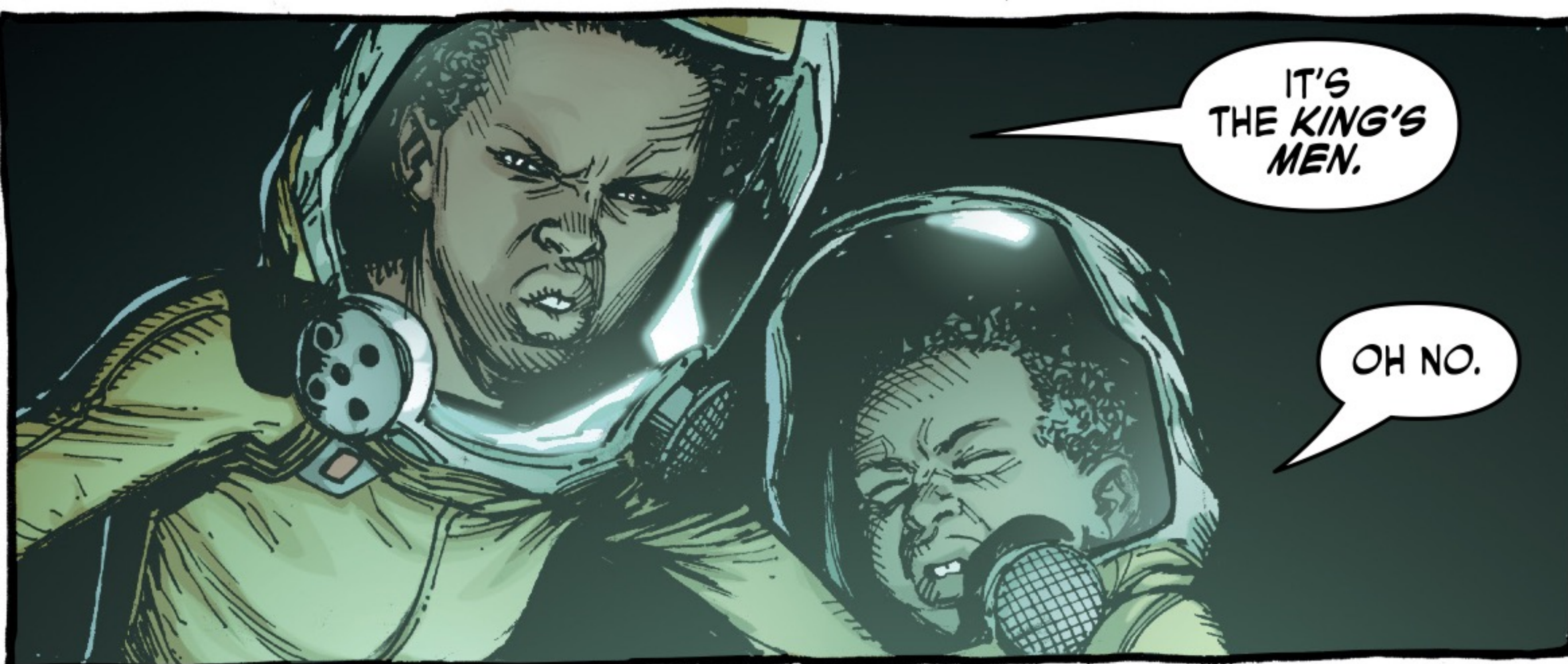
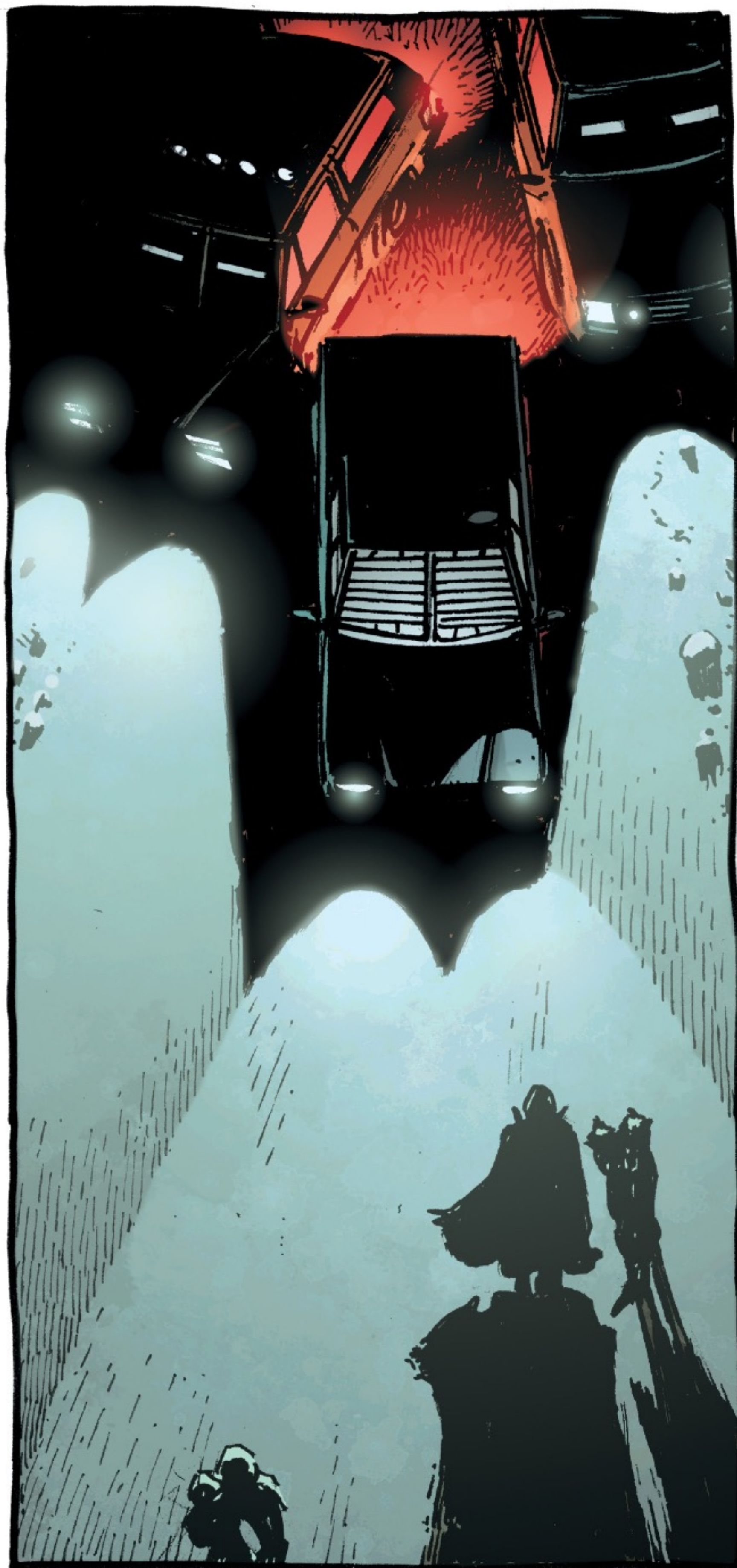


...SO STOP
FOLLOWING
ME.

BUT WE
HAVE NO CAR!
WE HAVE NOWHERE
TO GO!

THEN WE HAVE
THAT IN COMMON.
BYE.



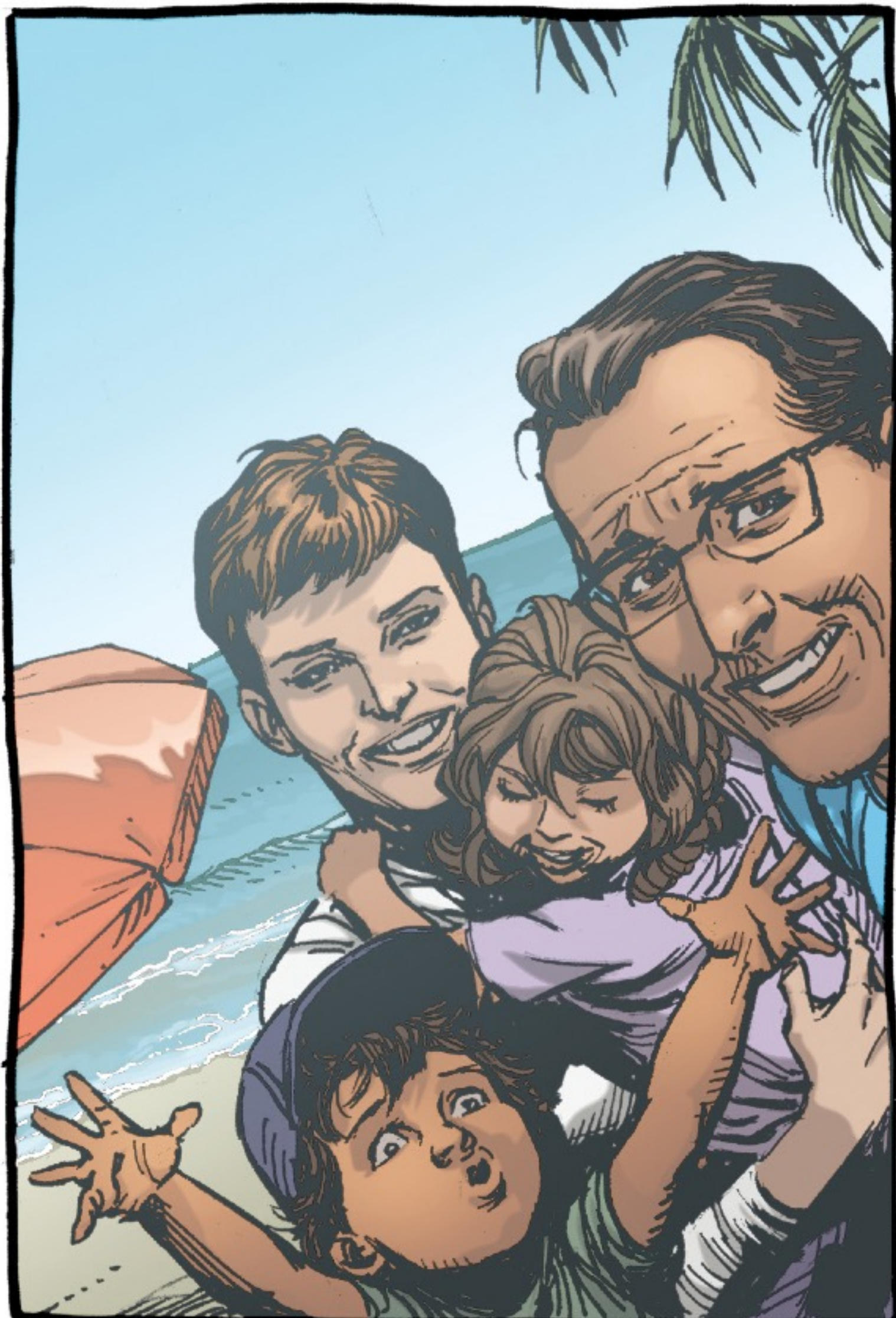




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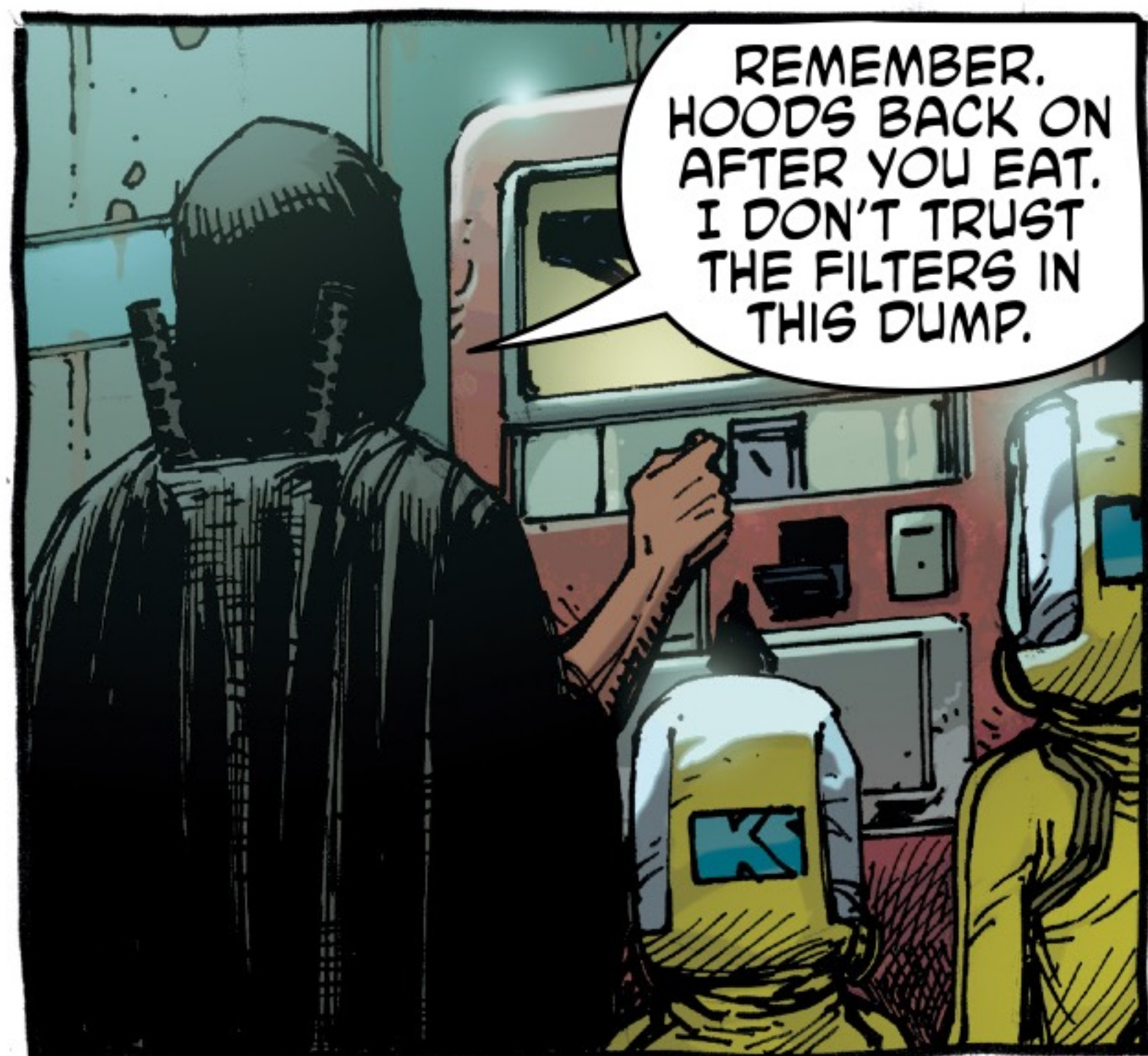
ANDERSON





A TEMPORARY STOP FOR THE NIGHT.

WHAT IS THIS PLACE?

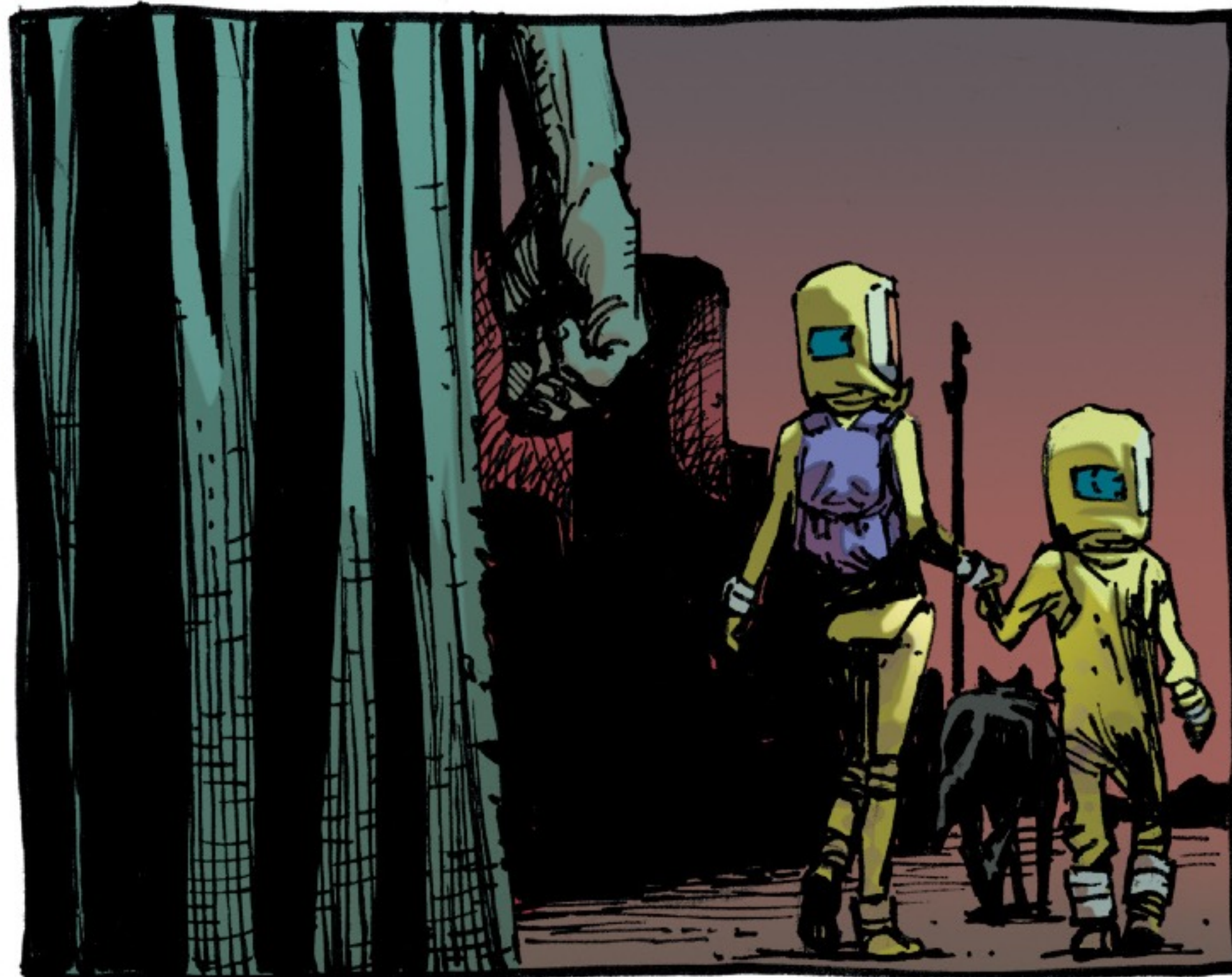


REMEMBER. HOODS BACK ON AFTER YOU EAT. I DON'T TRUST THE FILTERS IN THIS DUMP.



POD 6. FAR END.

TAKE YOUR BROTHER. I'LL GET THE FOOD.



WHERE WILL YOU SLEEP, TARIQ?

I DON'T SLEEP MUCH. YOU SLEEP. WE'LL KEEP WATCH.

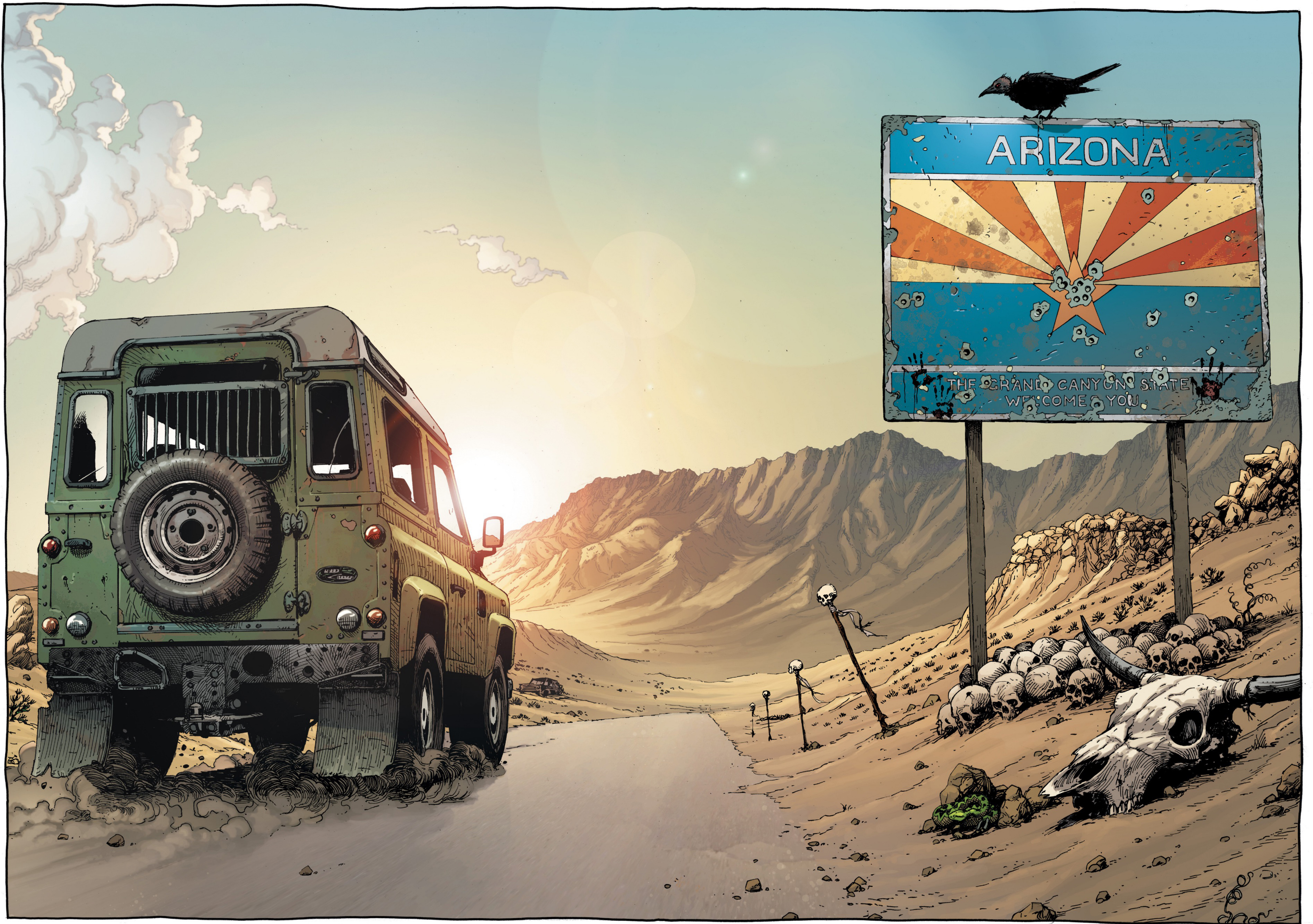


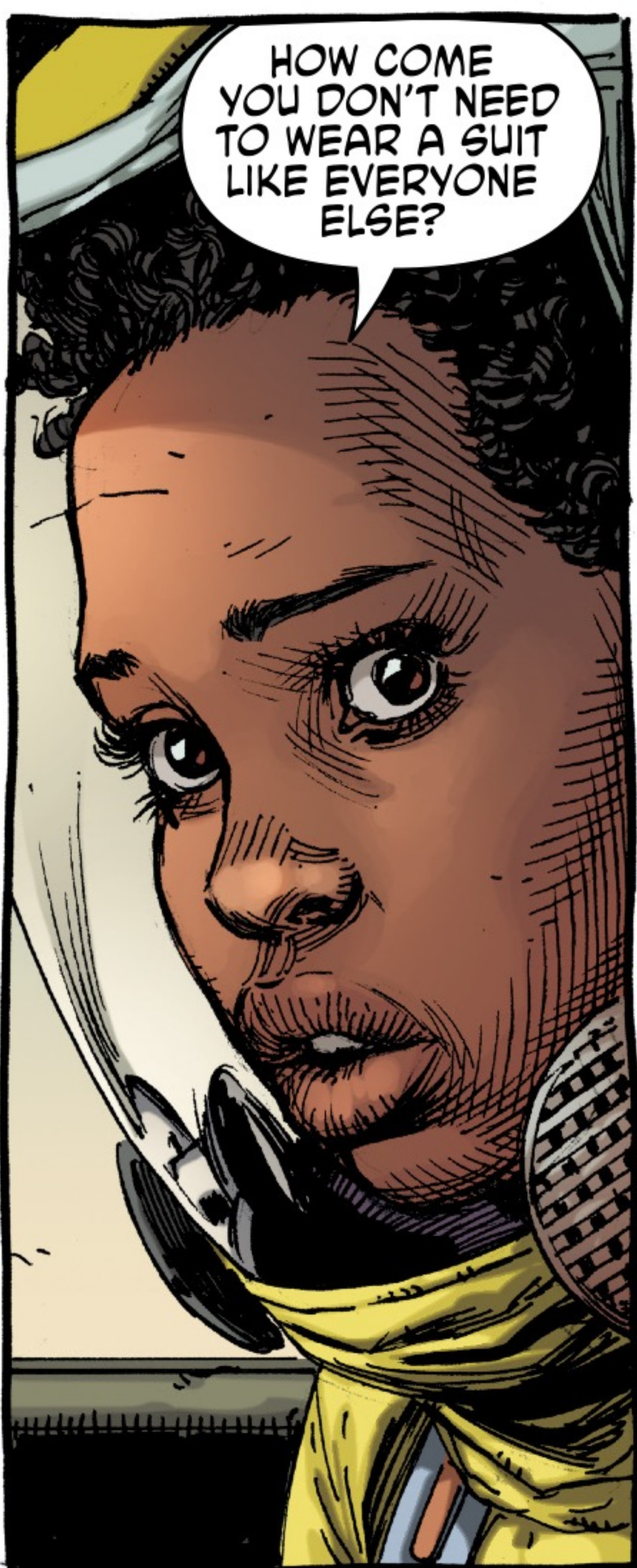
WHY DOESN'T YOUR DOG HAVE A NAME?



HE'S NOT A DOG. HE'S A WOLF. AND HE'S CALLED BARNEY.

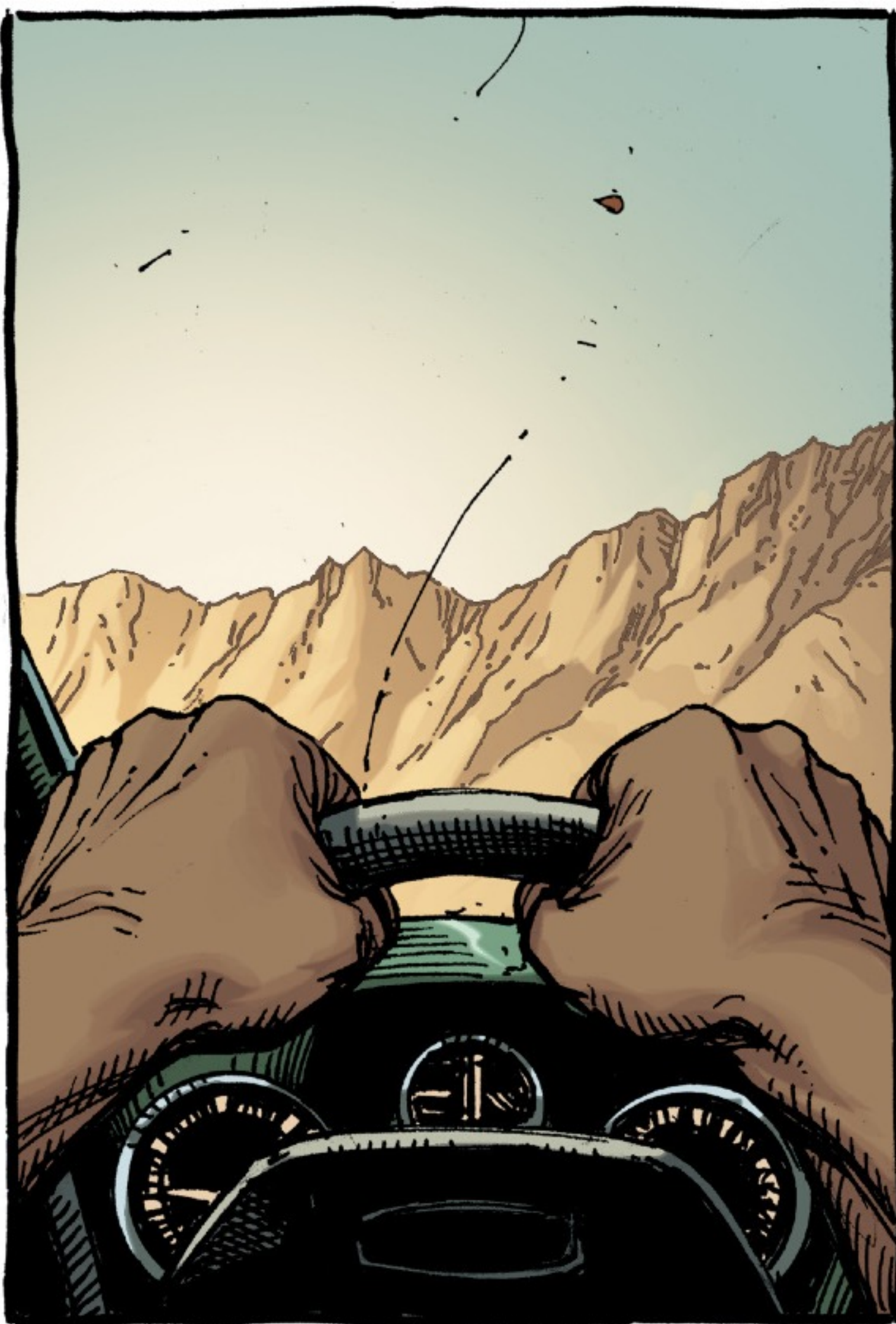








I WAS IN AN ACCIDENT.



AAAAHHH!



Huh-HELP...

Suh-SOMEBODY, PLEASE...



GGARRRR!



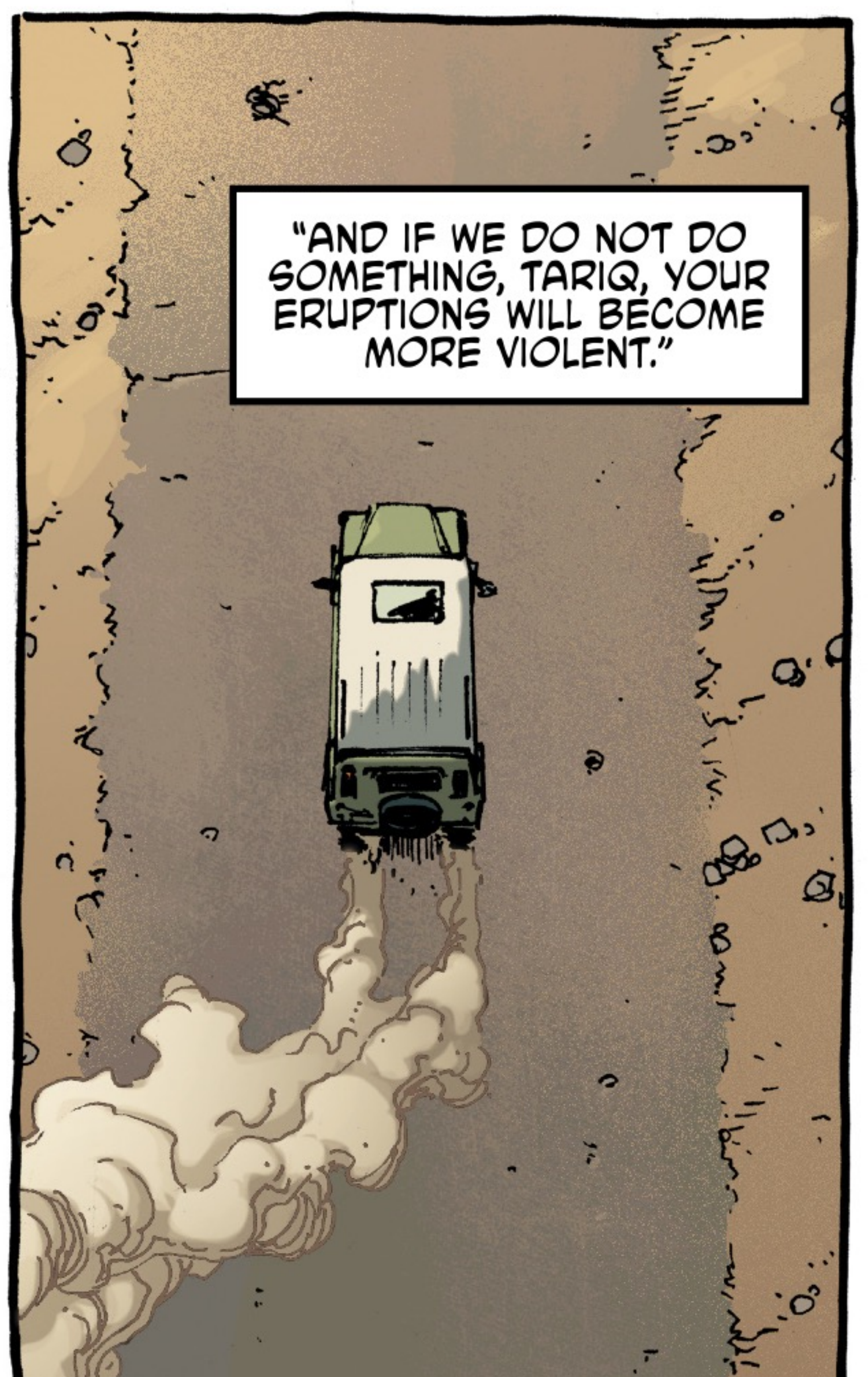
THE CANCER THERAPY WAS ALREADY CHANGING YOUR BODY, BUT THE FALLOUT...



DAD!



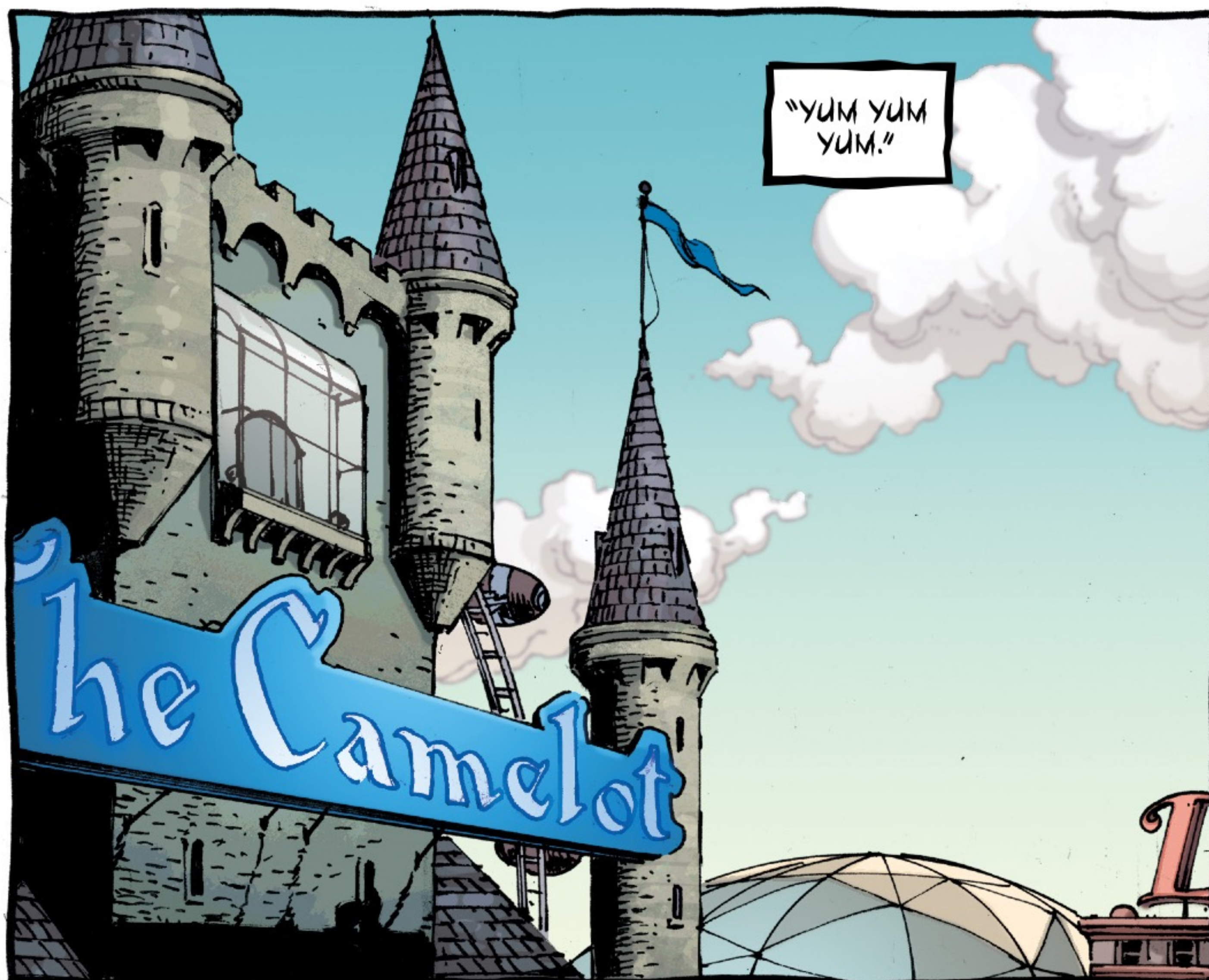
"...YOU ARE CARRYING THE WEIGHT OF IT WITH YOU."



"AND IF WE DO NOT DO SOMETHING, TARIQ, YOUR ERUPTIONS WILL BECOME MORE VIOLENT."

"THEY WILL DESTROY
EVERYTHING AROUND YOU."





"YUM YUM
YUM."



WHY IS
THIS LIFT SO
SLOW?

WE HAD IT
SERVICED LAST
WEEK.

I WANT TO
KNOW BY *WHOM*!
I WANT THEIR
NAME!

AND THEN
I WANT THEM TO PICK
A FAMILY MEMBER TO
COOK AND FEED TO
THE BEAST BELOW!

IF THE
ELEVATOR ISN'T
FIXED AFTER THAT,
THEY'LL PICK
ANOTHER ONE!



EVERY
SECOND WE
WASTE, THOSE
CHILDREN GET
FURTHER
AWAY.



OH!

Muh-
MY KING!



I SEE THE
BEAST HAS
EATEN.

THE
QUEEN HAS
REQUESTED
SECONDS.



SHE IS
THE *BEAST*,
NOT THE
QUEEN!

SAY
IT!

THE
BEAST.



UGH,
I CAN *SMELL*
HER FROM
HERE.

HELLO,
MOTHER.



I HAVE GOOD NEWS.
THE NUCLEAR FOOTBALL
IS WITHIN MY GRASP. SOON
I WILL HAVE CONTROL OVER
ALL OF THE NUKES LEFT
ON THE CONTINENT.

ALL I NEED TO KNOW
FROM YOU, DEAR MOTHER,
IS WHERE FATHER HID
THE LAUNCH CODES.

TELL ME
WHERE THEY ARE
THIS TIME AND I WILL
BRING YOU BACK
UPSTAIRS.

HABA
HABA!

YOU UGLY
LITTLE
SCAB.

LOOK AT
WHAT THE
GLOWING MAN
DID TO YOU.

HAHAHAHAHA!

YOU KNOW WHY
I KEEP YOU DOWN
HERE.

BECAUSE
I WANT
YOU TO
SUFFER.

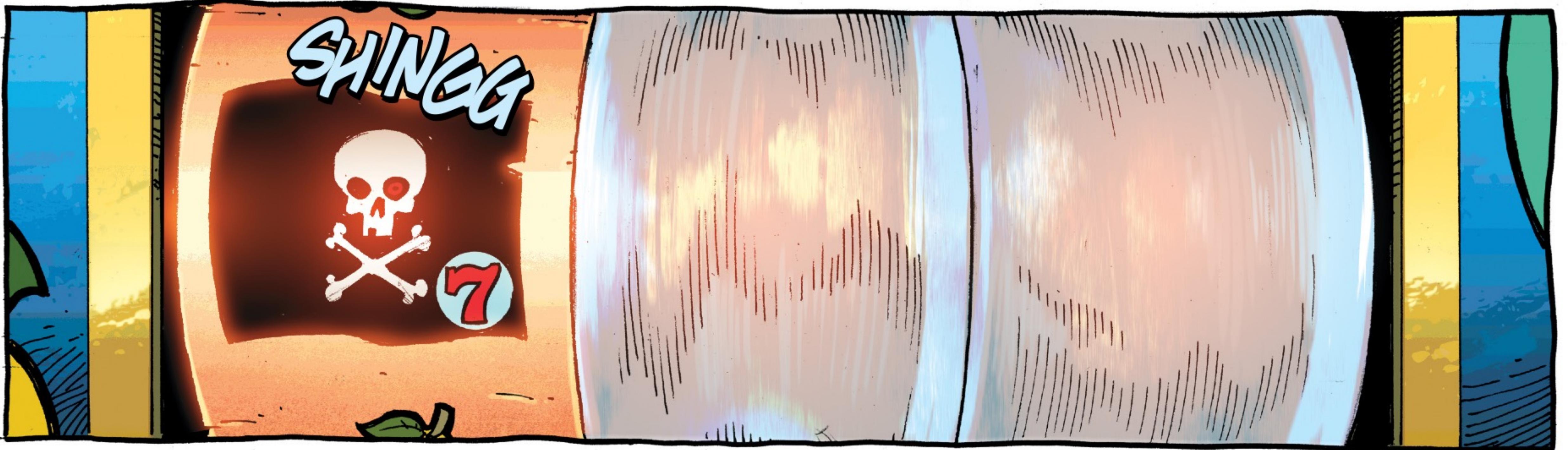
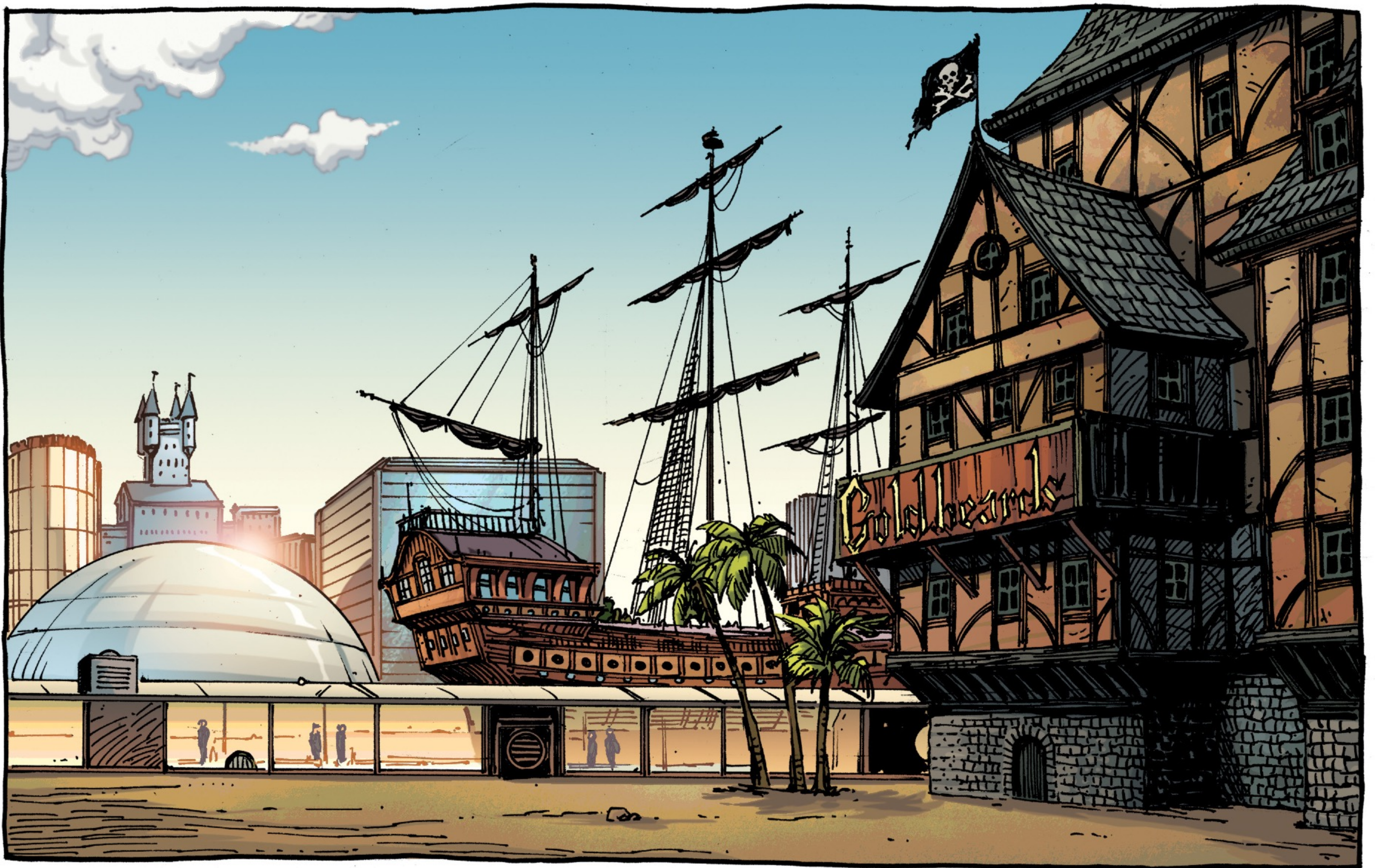
SUFFER
FOR LETTING
ME SUFFER AT
THE HANDS OF
FATHER.

SHLTT

CLOSE
THAT RIGHT
NOW,
JEREMY!

I WILL ASK
ONE LAST TIME,
MOTHER.

WHERE
DID FATHER
PUT THE
CODES?





I DON'T BELIEVE ANYTHING THAT *CHILD* SAYS, GOLDBEARD, BUT HIS *FATHER* WAS A *SENATOR* BEFORE THE WAR.

THAT DON'T MEAN NOTHIN'.

IT MEANS HE MAY HAVE THE *CODES* THAT CAN *LAUNCH* ANY *NUKES* STILL LEFT. ONCE THE *SILOS* ARE FOUND.

AND THESE *CHILDREN* HAVE SOMETHIN' THAT'S GOING TO TELL US WHERE THEY ARE?

WE HELP THE KING FIND THEM, WE GET MISSILES OF OUR OWN TO PLAY WITH.



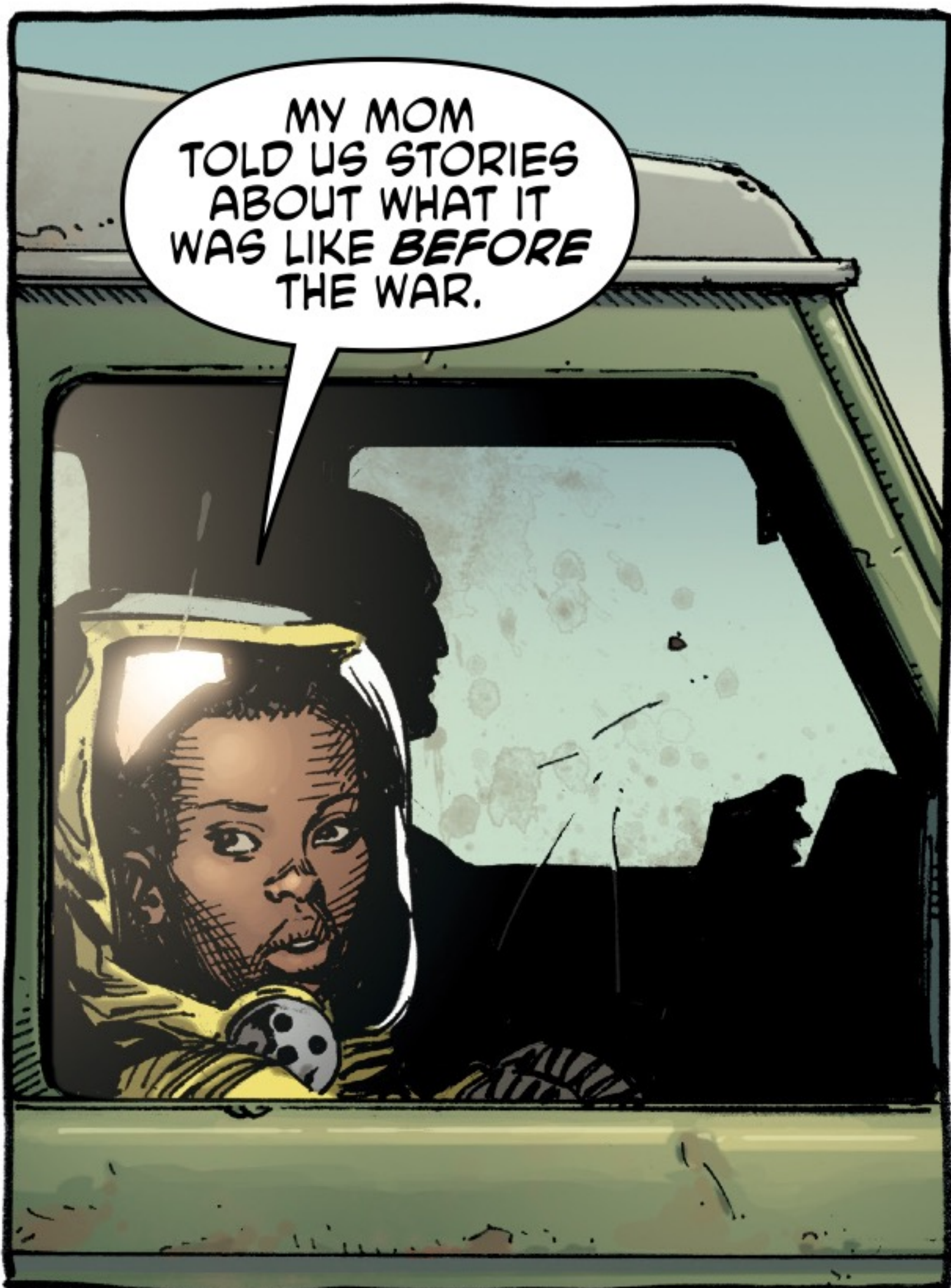
AND WHAT'S SAFARI BOB GONNA SAY TA US GOIN' BEHIND HIS BACK, eh?

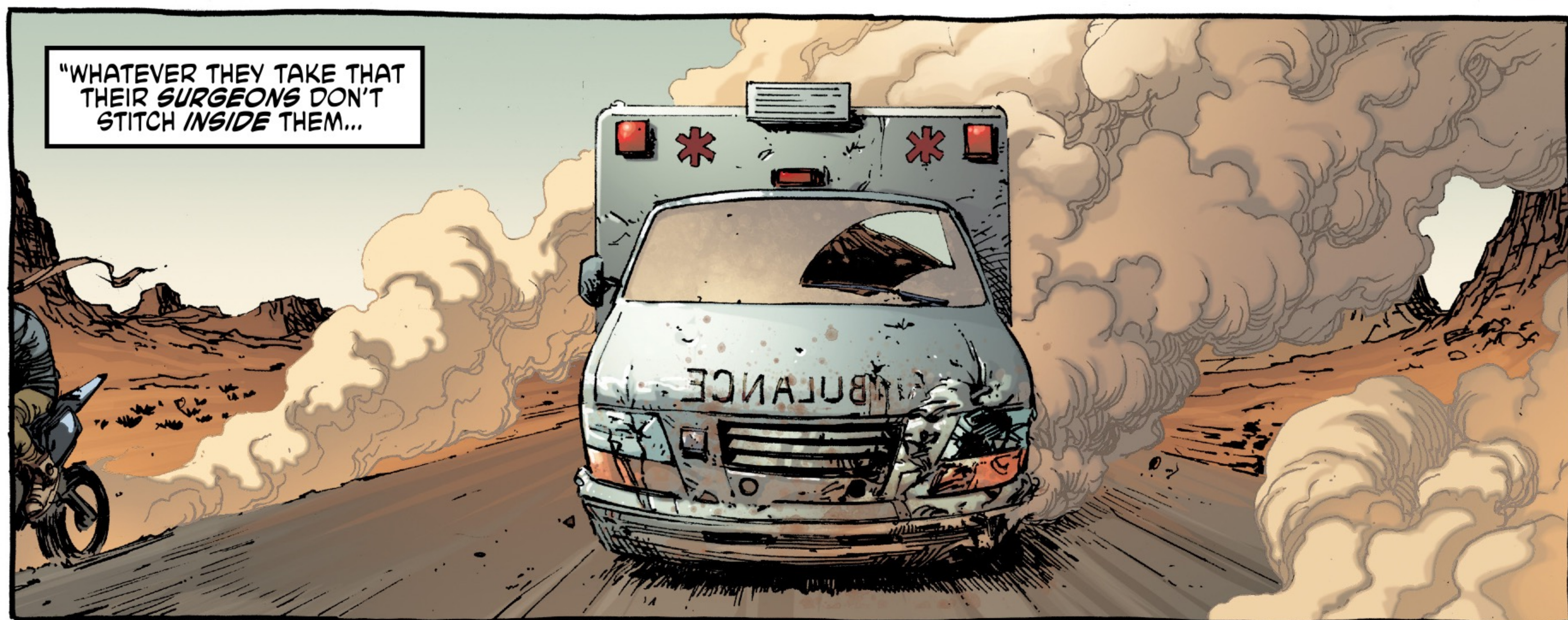
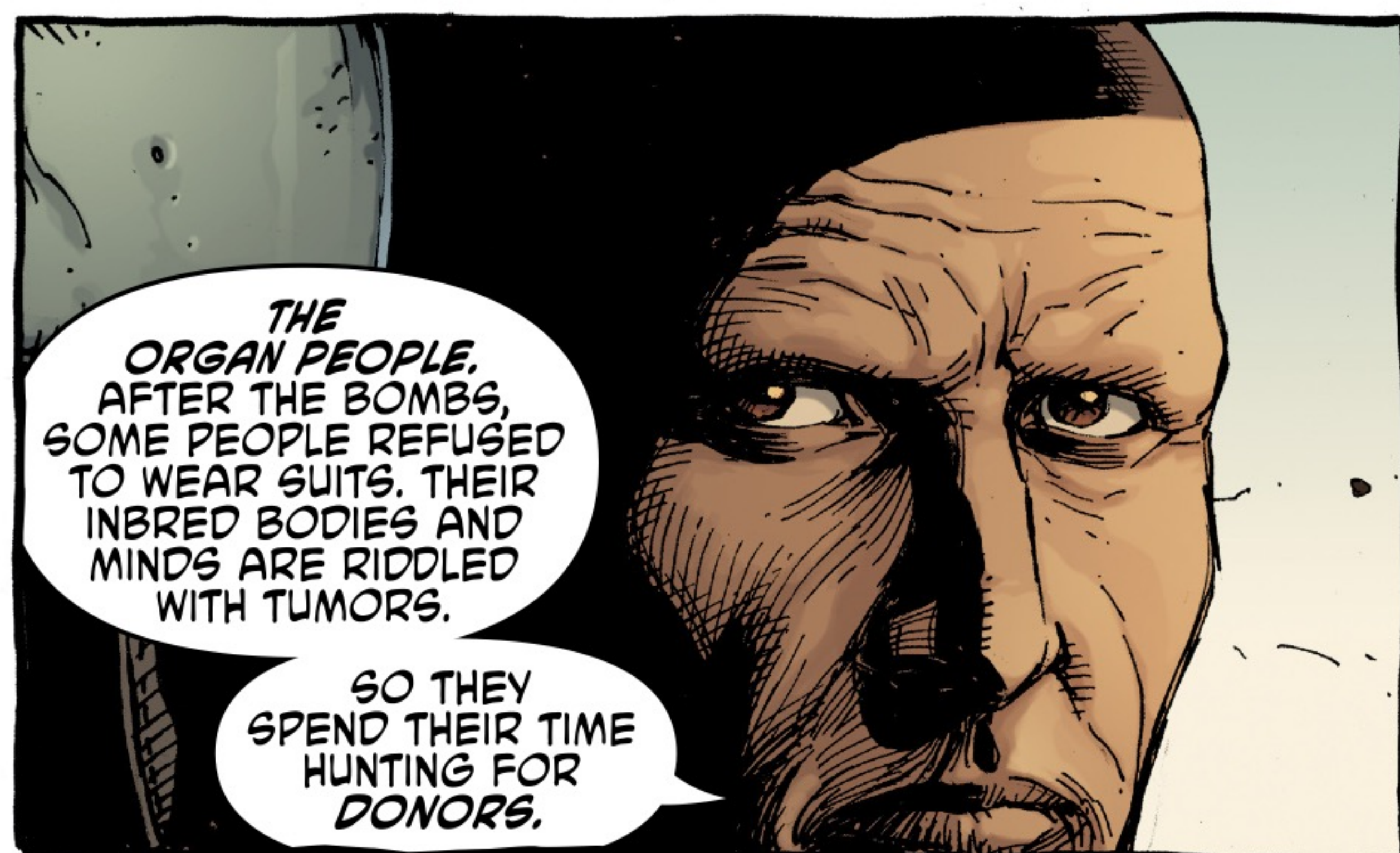
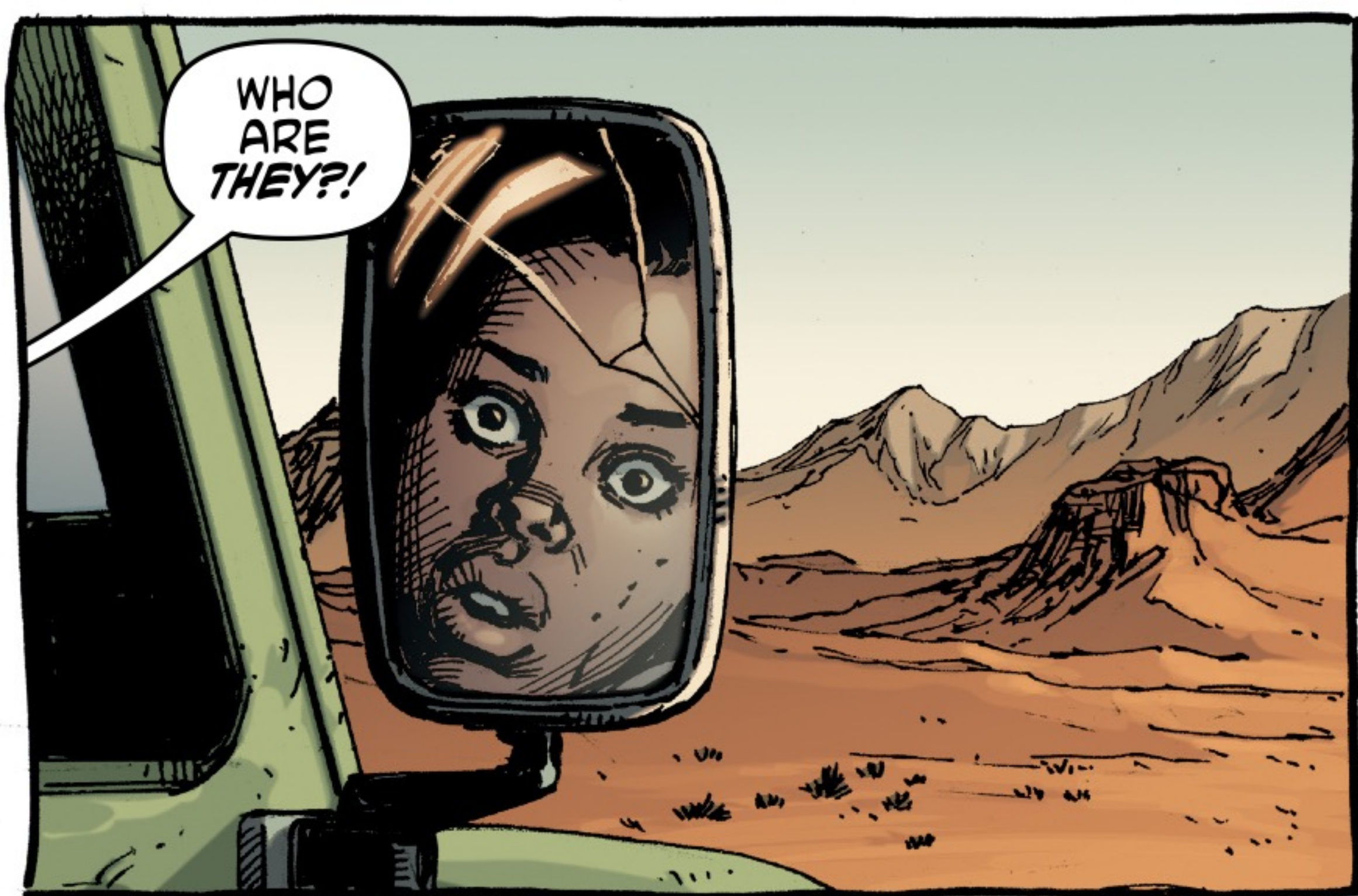
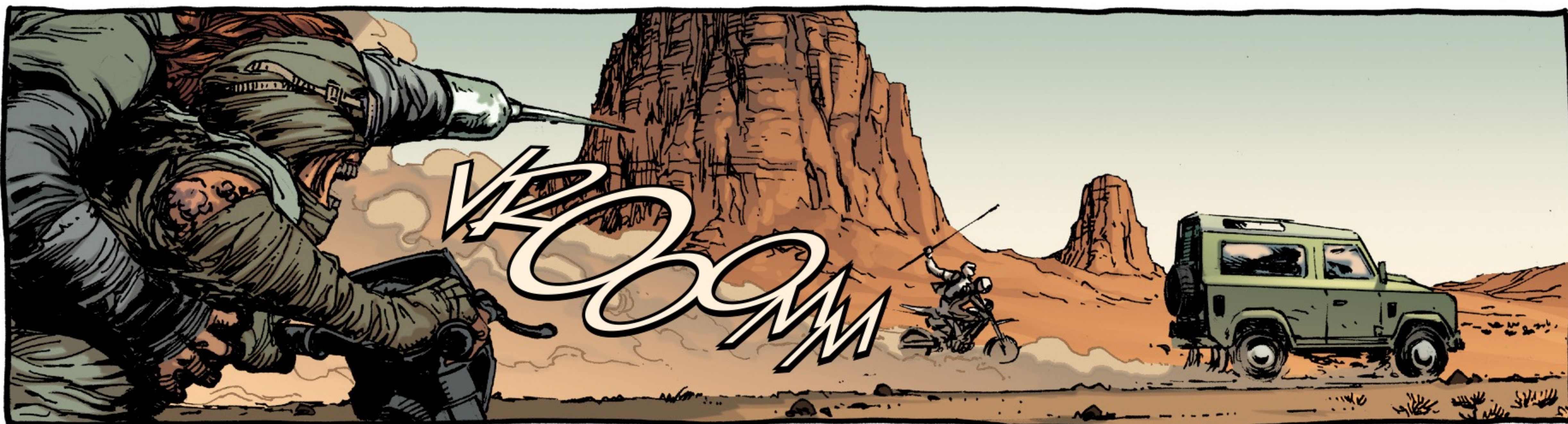


WHO'S GOING TO TELL HIM?

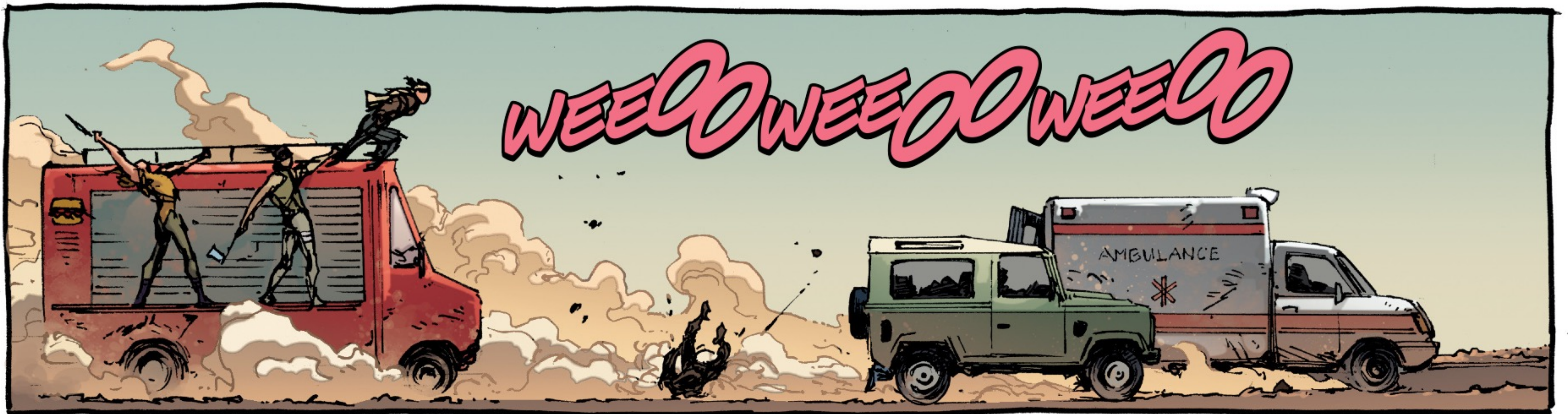
NOW COME ON, SPORT. YOU'RE ALWAYS COMPLAINING ABOUT HOW LOW YOU ARE ON THE FOOD CHAIN. I'VE GOT MY *CHOPPER SQUAD*.

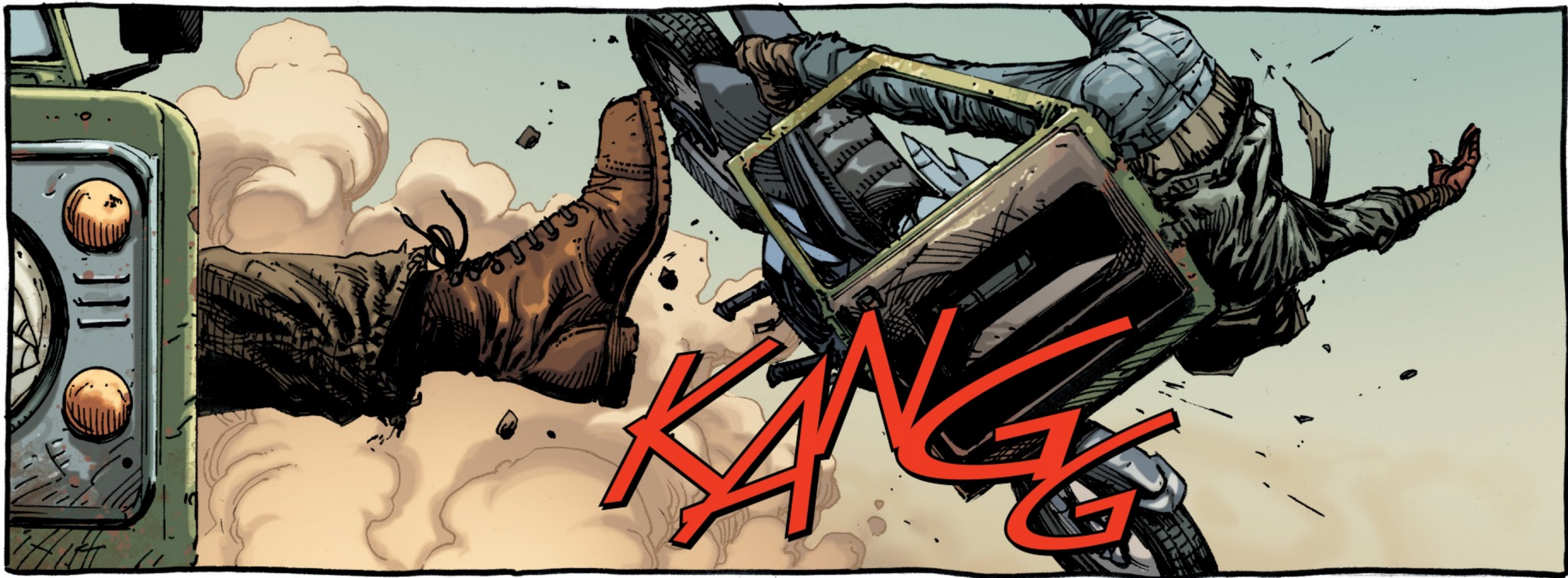
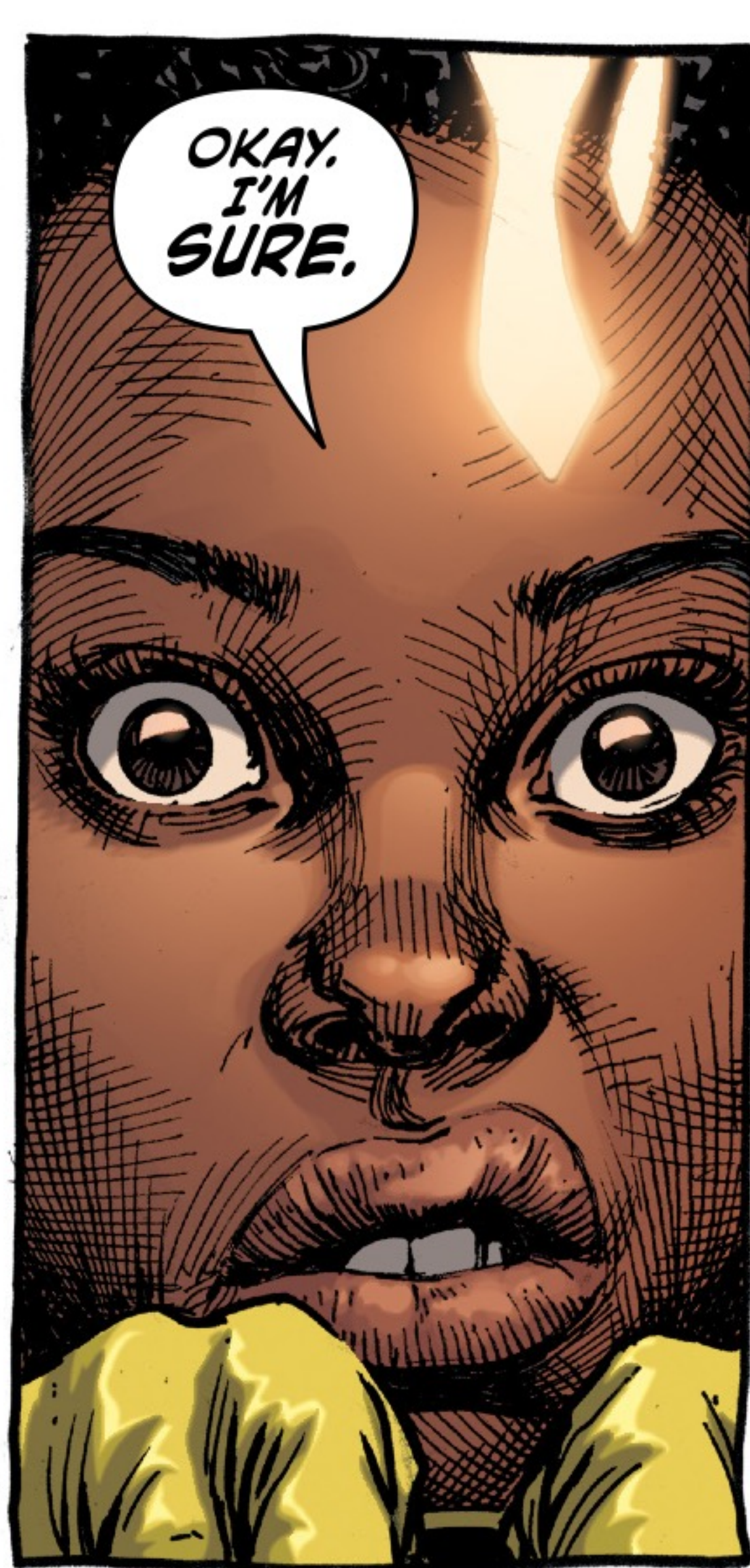
GATHER YOUR *PIRATES*.

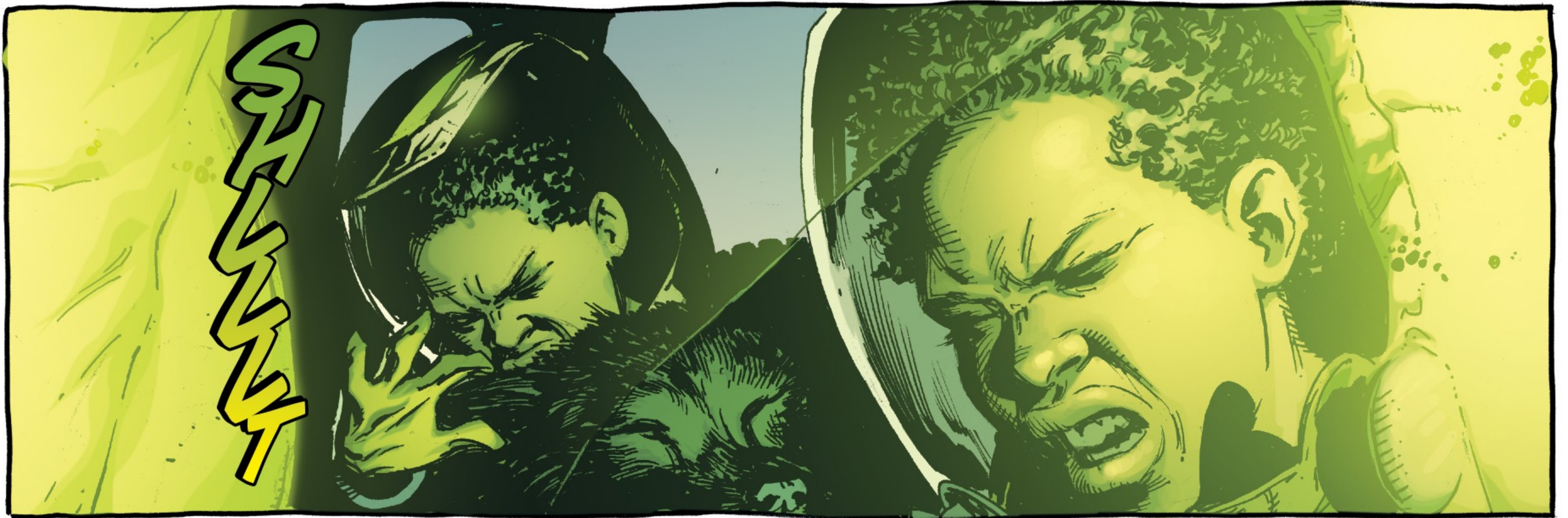


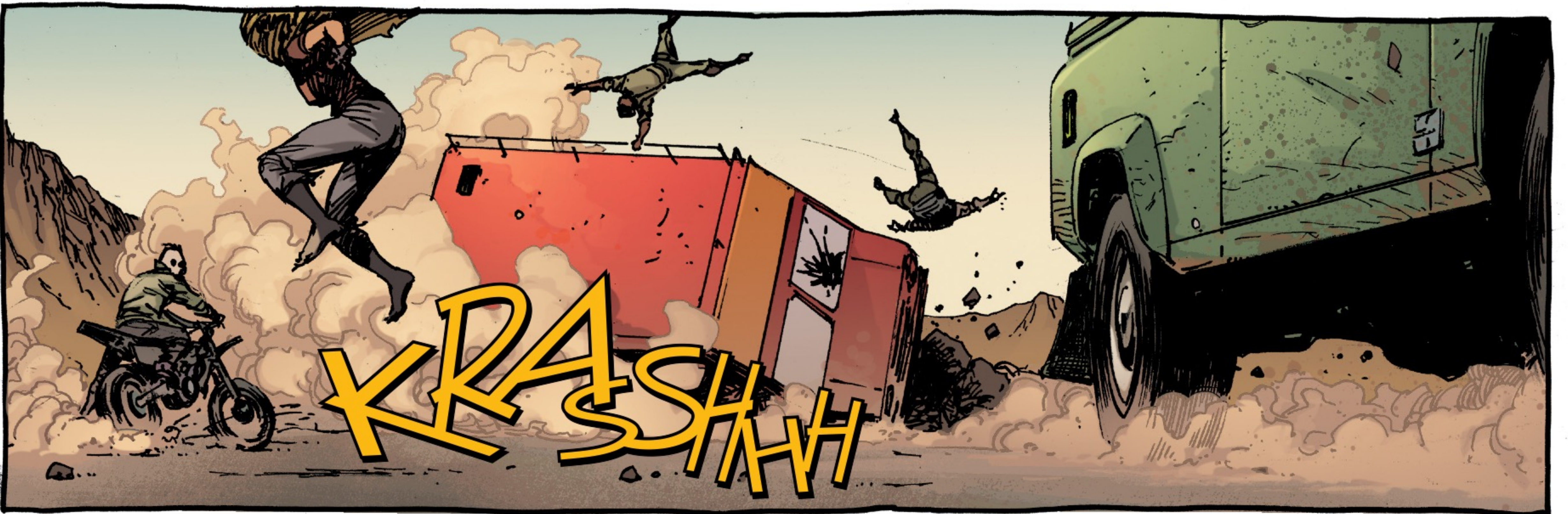


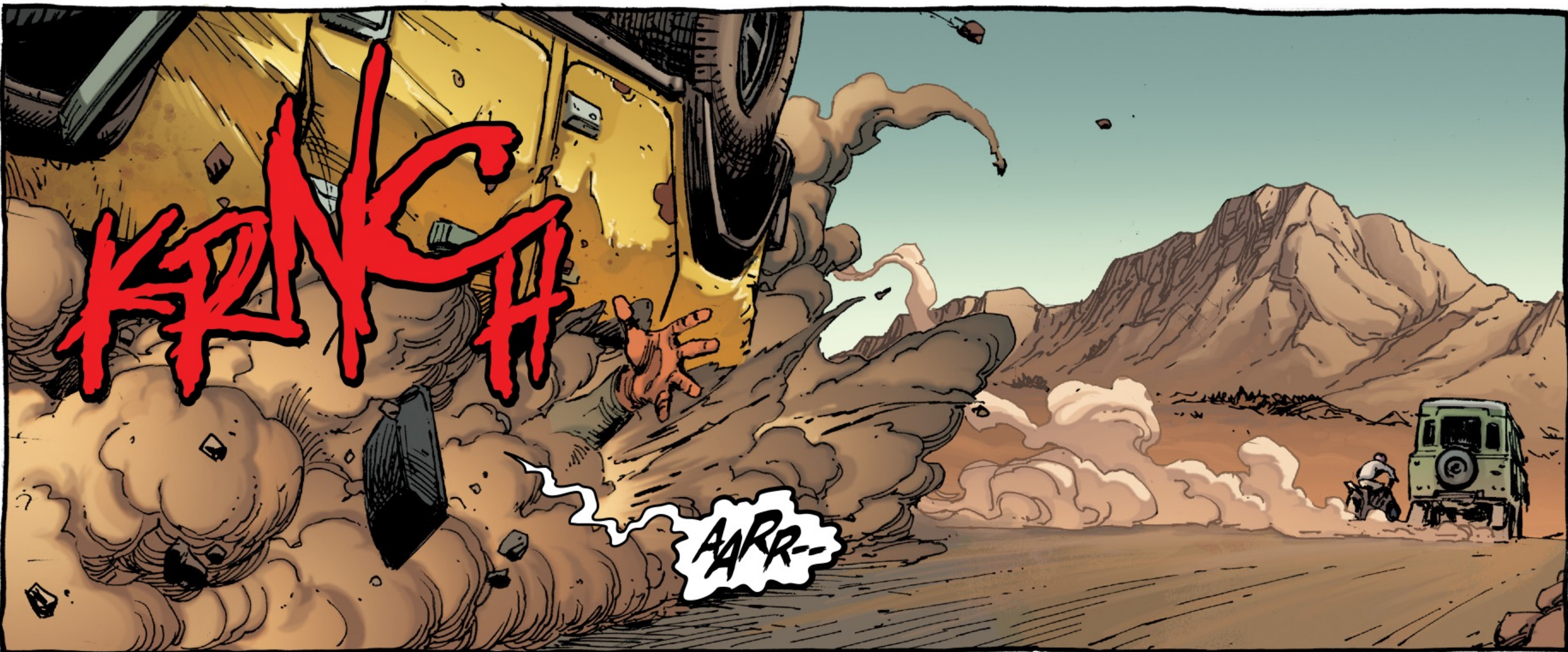
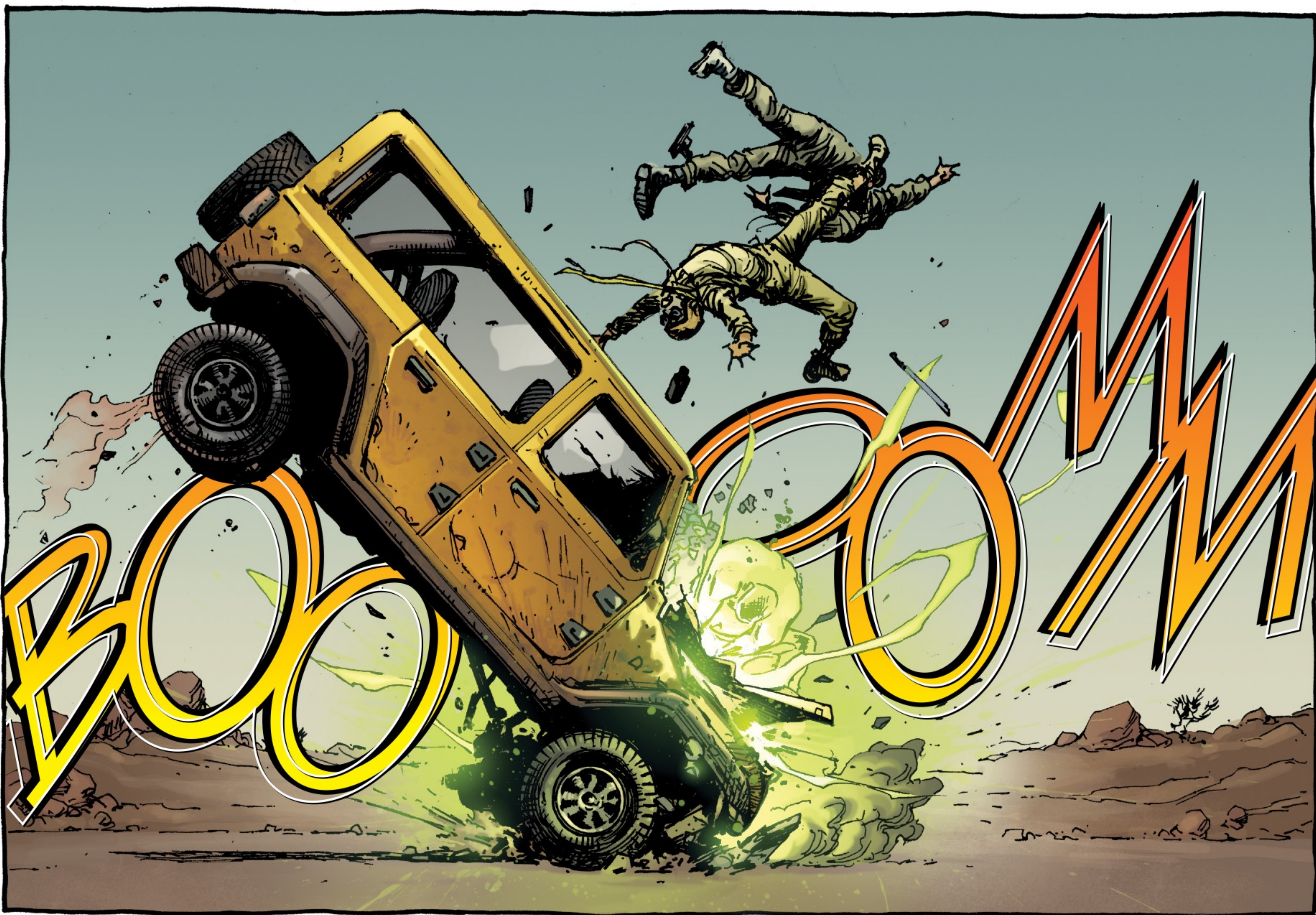
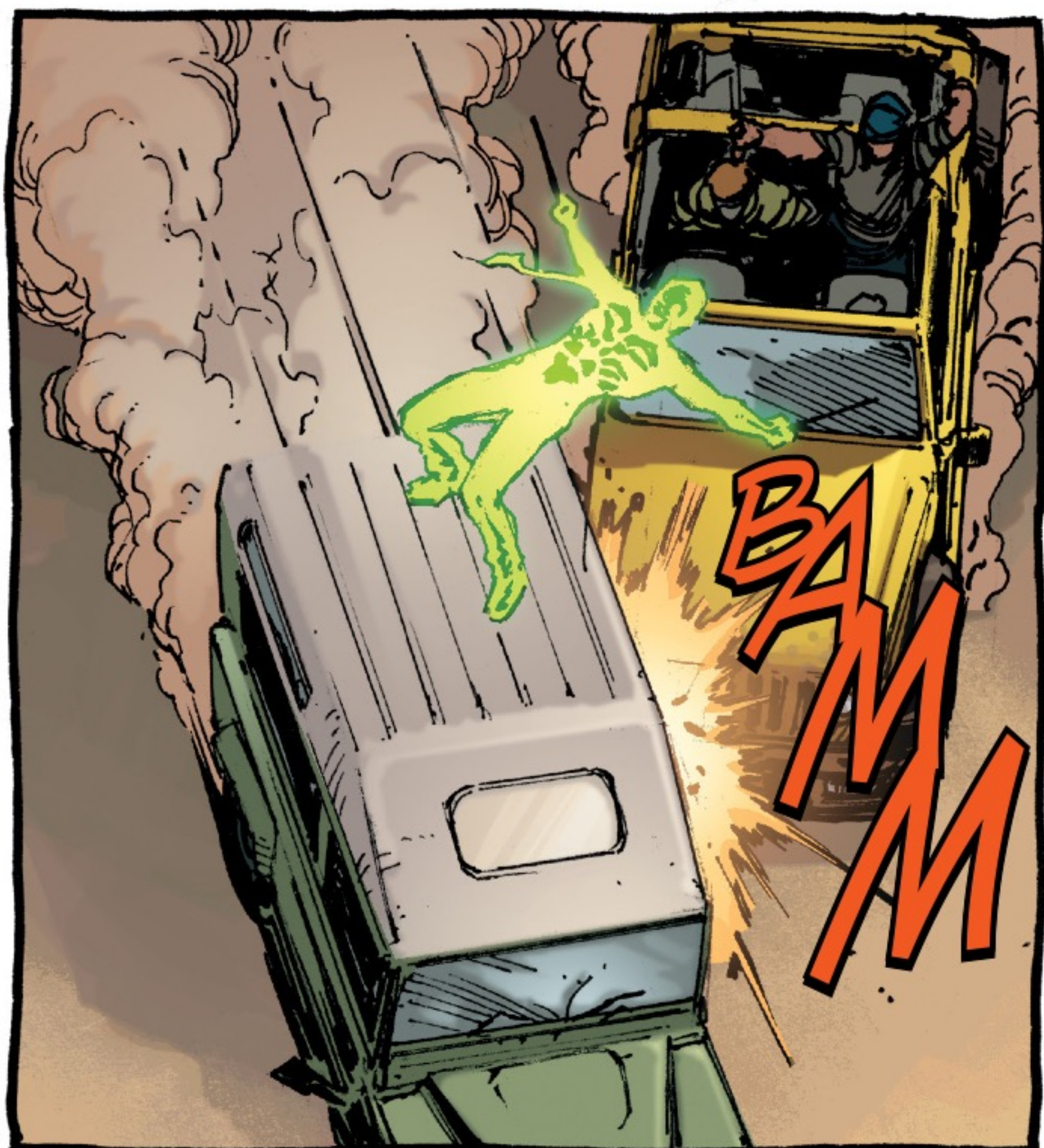


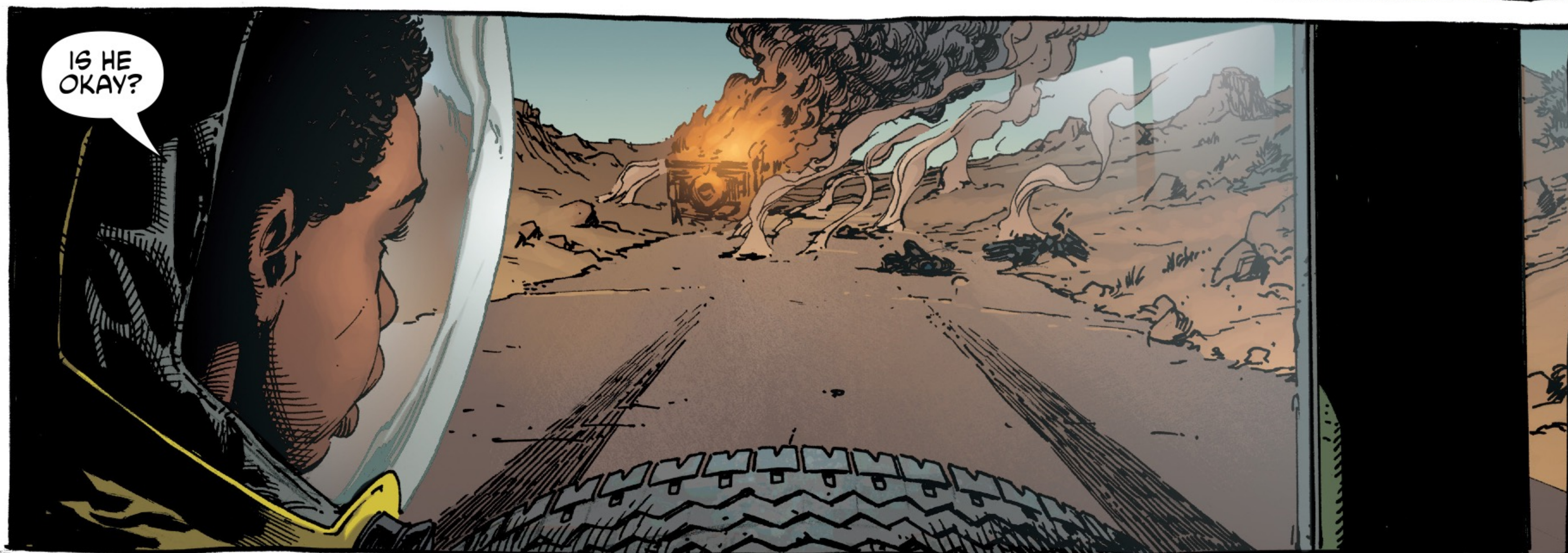
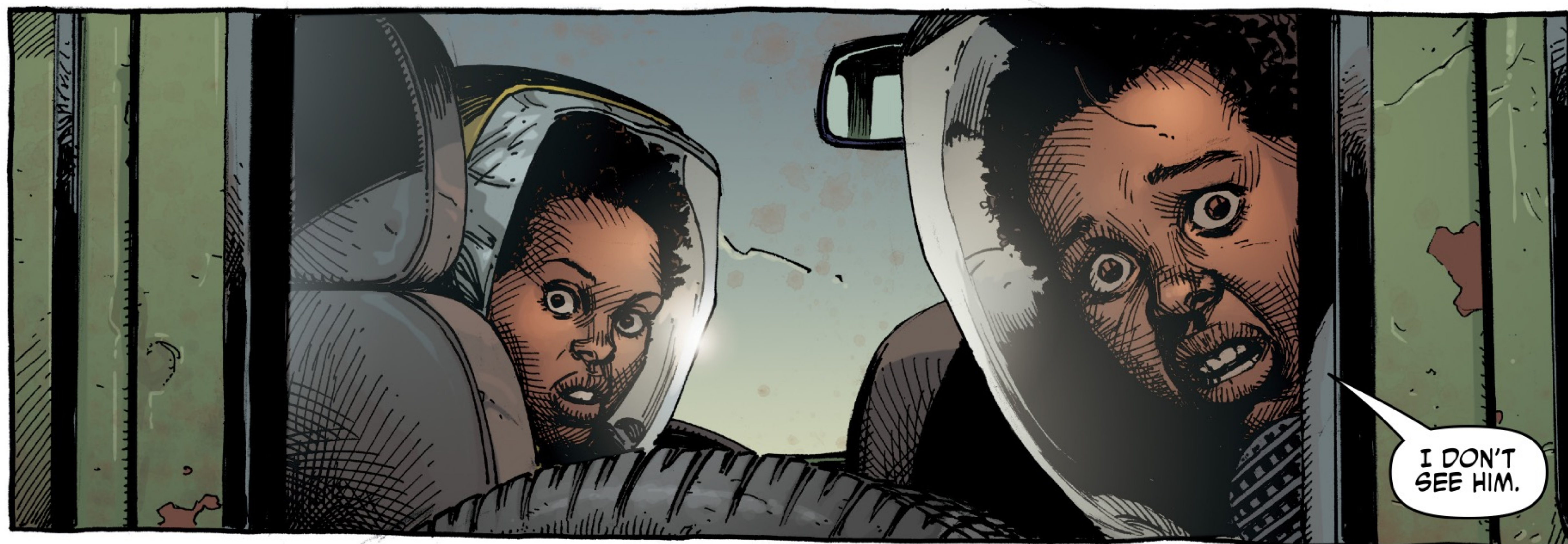
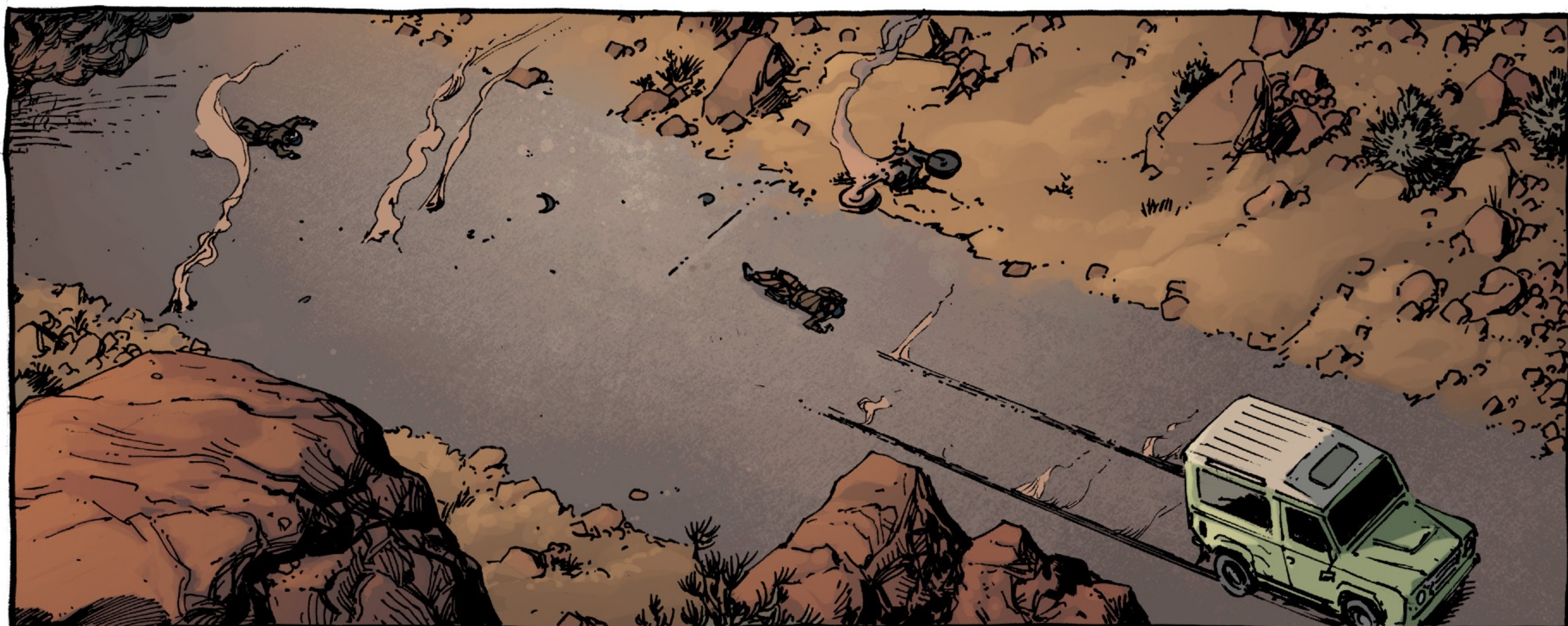
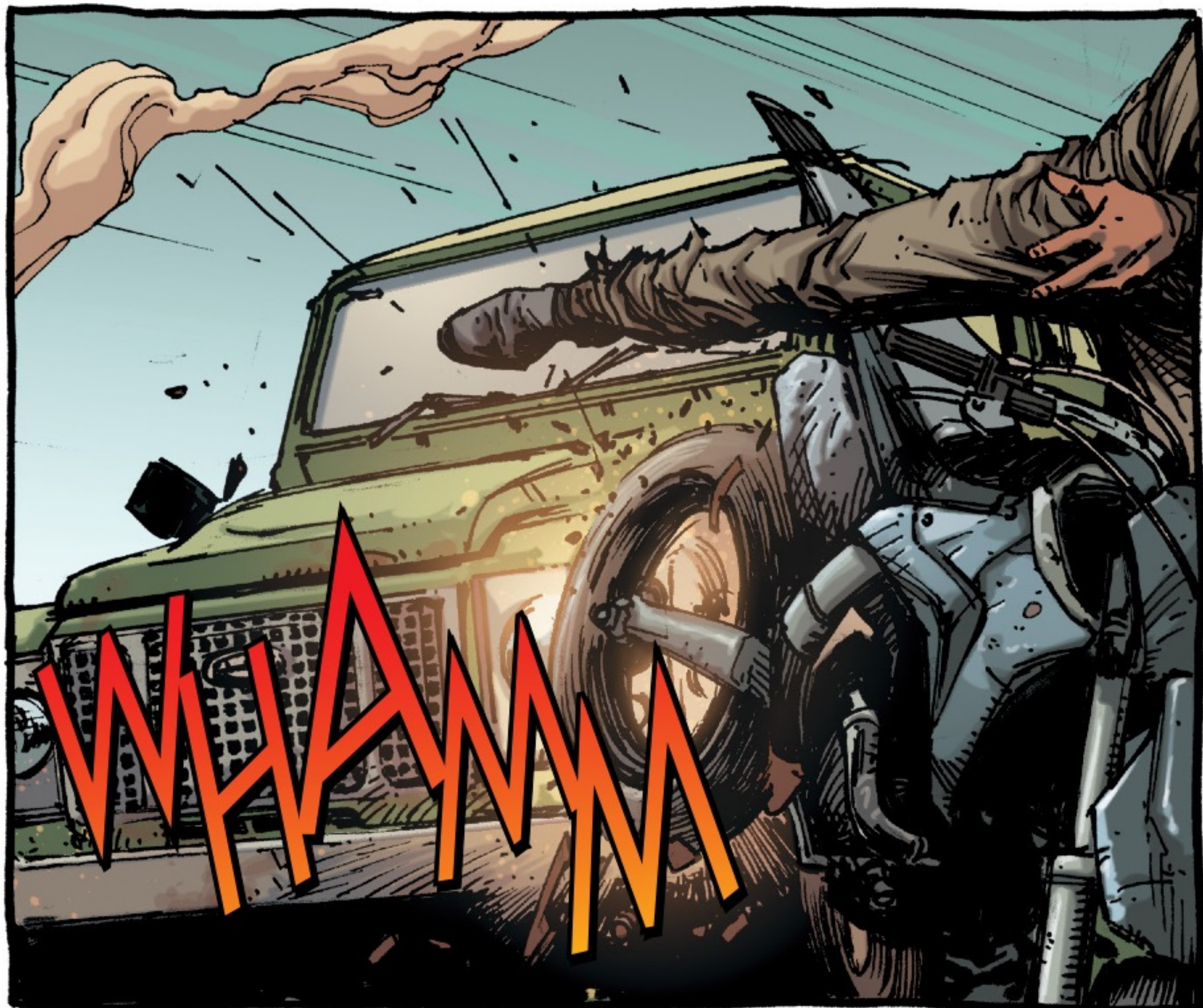


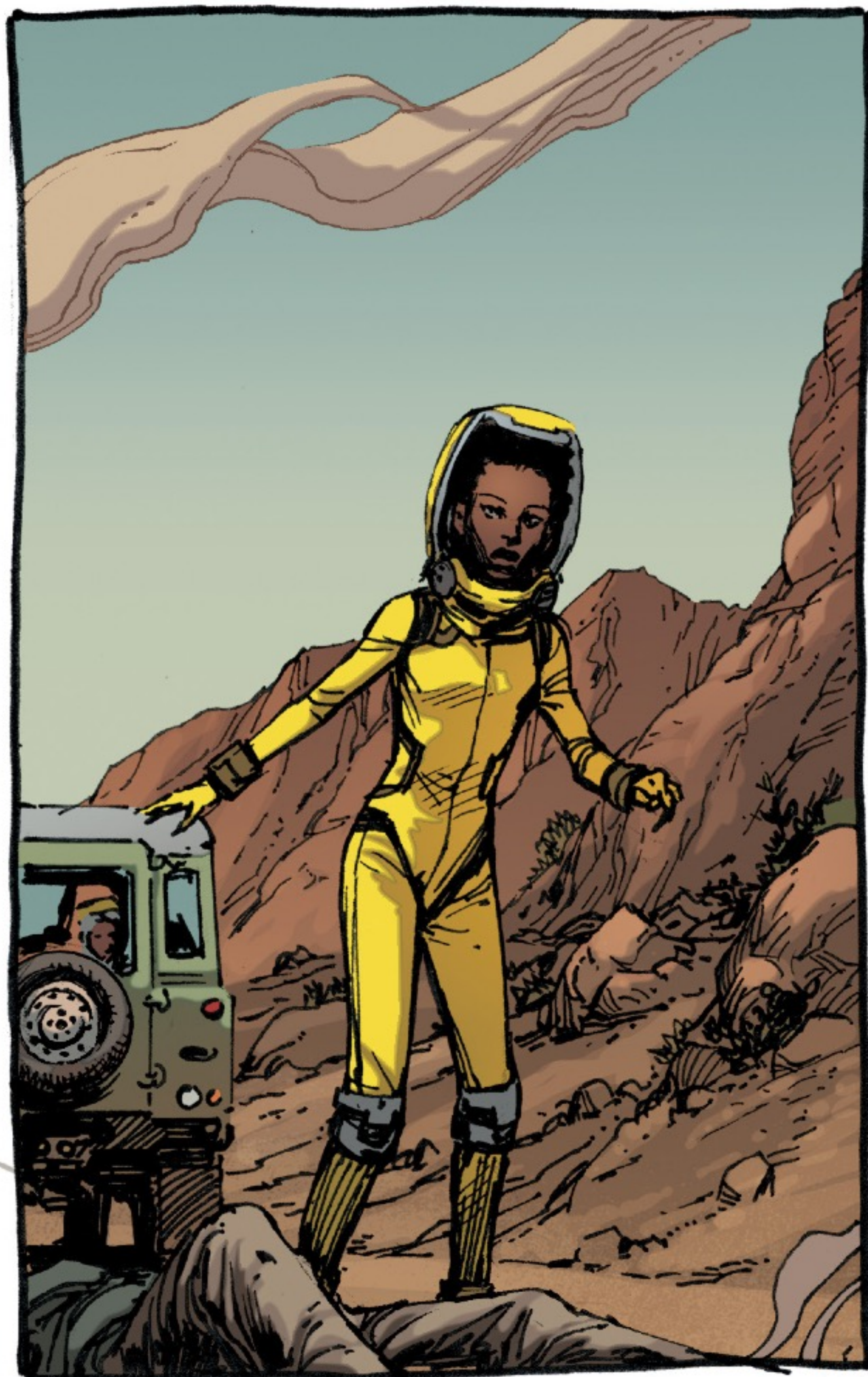












HOWDY,
MISS.

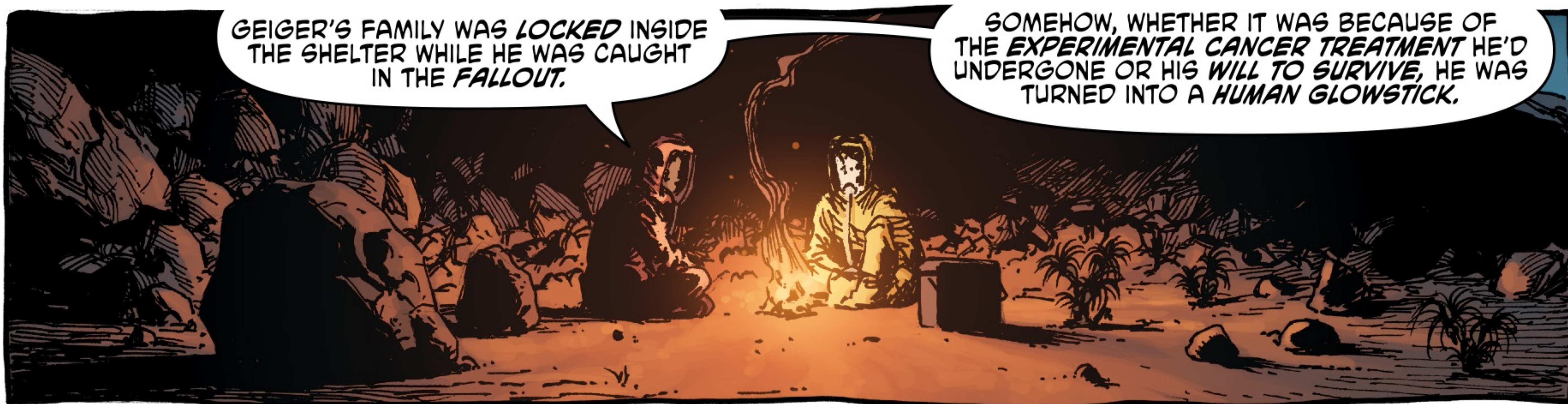
YOU
LOST?





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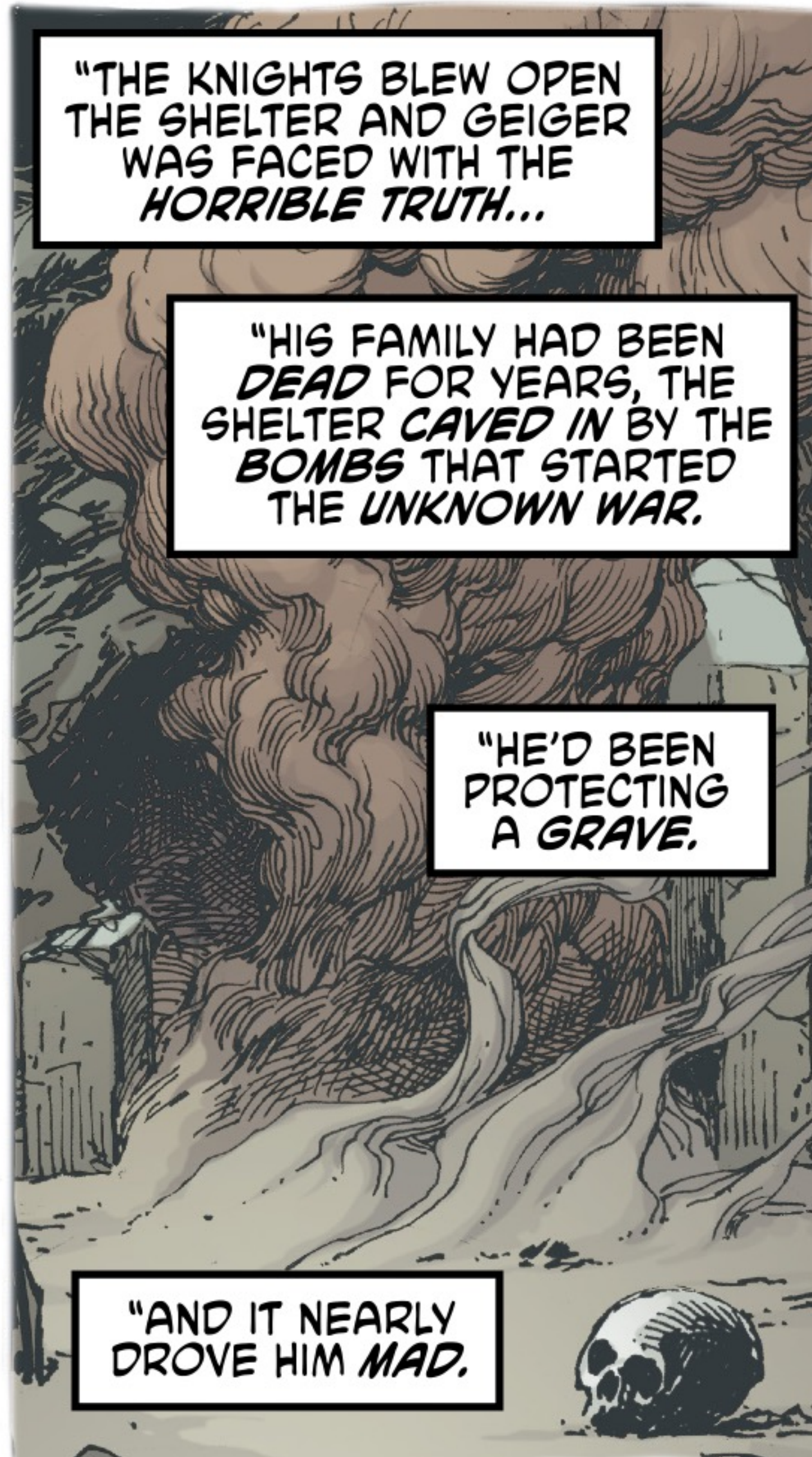
GEIGER'S FAMILY WAS **LOCKED** INSIDE THE SHELTER WHILE HE WAS CAUGHT IN THE **FALLOUT**.

SOMEHOW, WHETHER IT WAS BECAUSE OF THE **EXPERIMENTAL CANCER TREATMENT** HE'D UNDERGONE OR HIS **WILL TO SURVIVE**, HE WAS TURNED INTO A **HUMAN GLOWSTICK**.



"HE SPENT THE NEXT **TWENTY YEARS** PROTECTING HIS **FAMILY** FROM SCAVENGERS, HOPING ONE DAY THE AIR WOULD BE **CLEAN ENOUGH** HE COULD LET THEM OUT.

"BUT **THE KING OF LAS VEGAS** LED HIS **NUCLEAR KNIGHTS** IN AN ATTACK.



"THE **KNIGHTS** BLEW OPEN THE SHELTER AND GEIGER WAS FACED WITH THE **HORRIBLE TRUTH...**

"HIS FAMILY HAD BEEN **DEAD** FOR YEARS, THE SHELTER **CAVED IN** BY THE **BOMBS** THAT STARTED THE **UNKNOWN WAR**.

"HE'D BEEN PROTECTING A **GRAVE**.

"AND IT NEARLY DROVE HIM **MAD**.

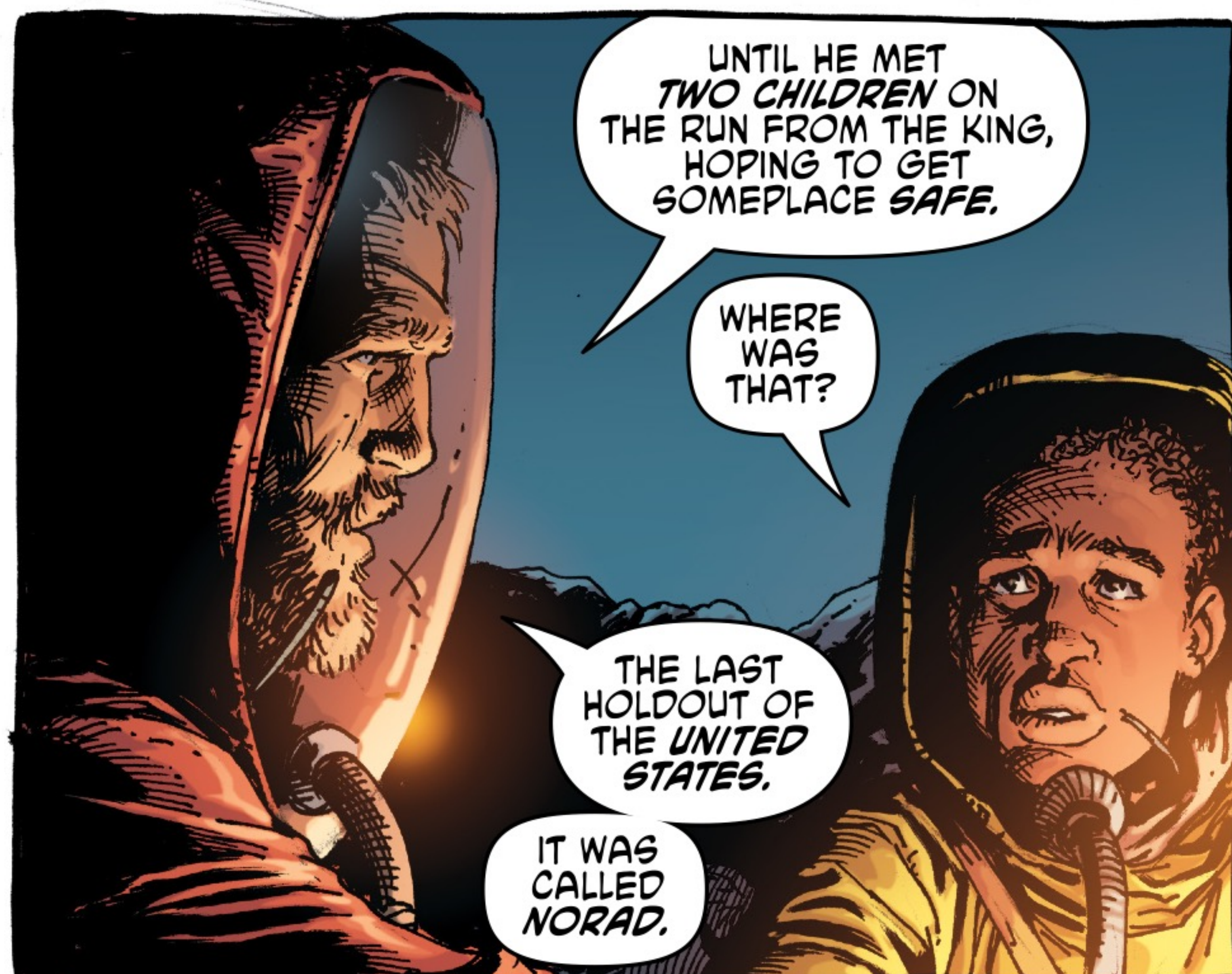


"GEIGER KILLED MOST OF THE **KNIGHTS**, BUT HE LEFT THE **KING** **ALIVE...**

"...**SCARRED FOREVER**, LIKE GEIGER HIMSELF.



"AFTER THAT, **THE GLOWING MAN** HEADED OUT INTO THE DESERT WITH NOWHERE TO GO."



UNTIL HE MET **TWO CHILDREN** ON THE RUN FROM THE KING, HOPING TO GET SOMEPLACE **SAFE**.

WHERE WAS THAT?

THE LAST HOLDOUT OF THE **UNITED STATES**.

IT WAS CALLED **NORAD**.

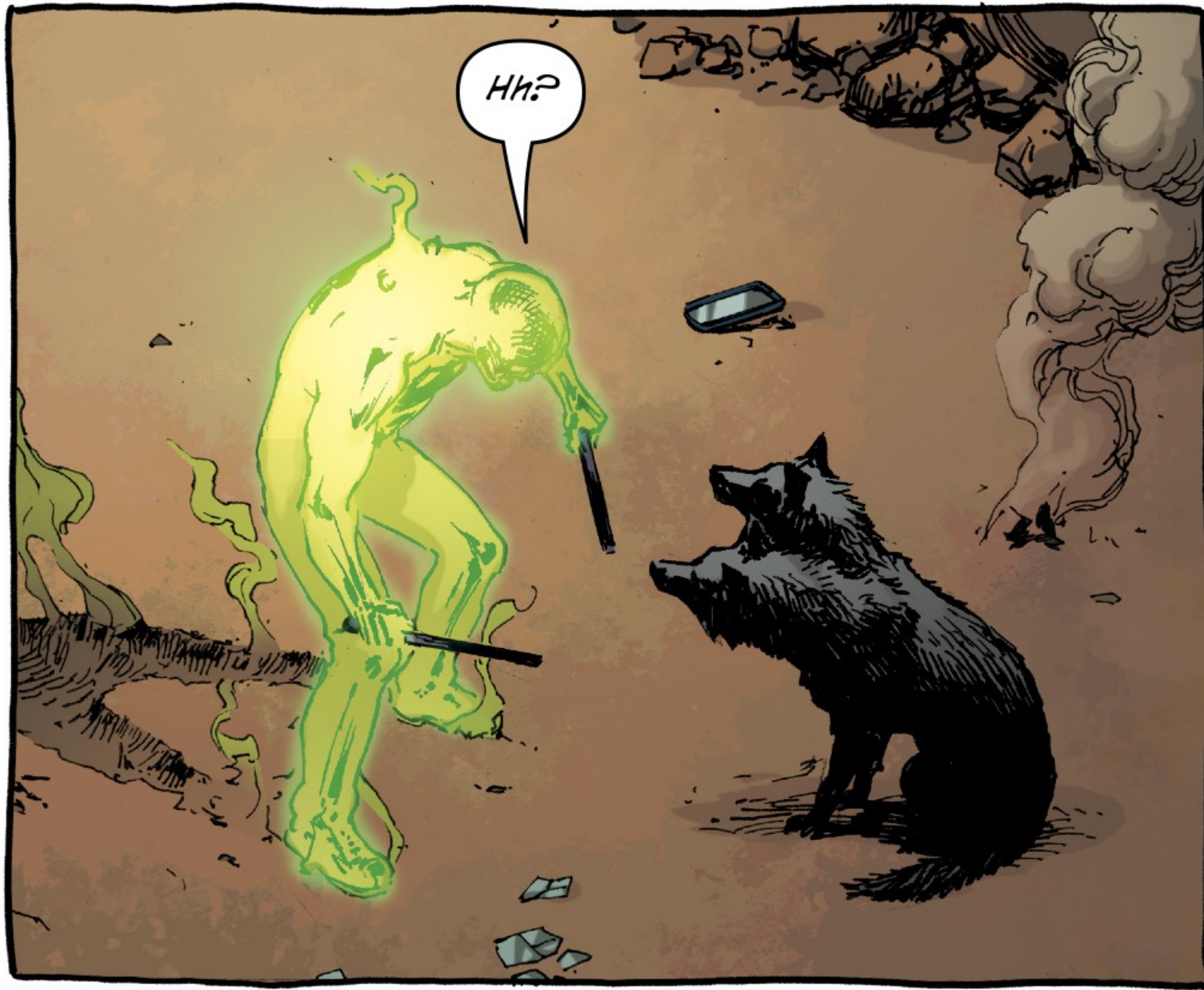


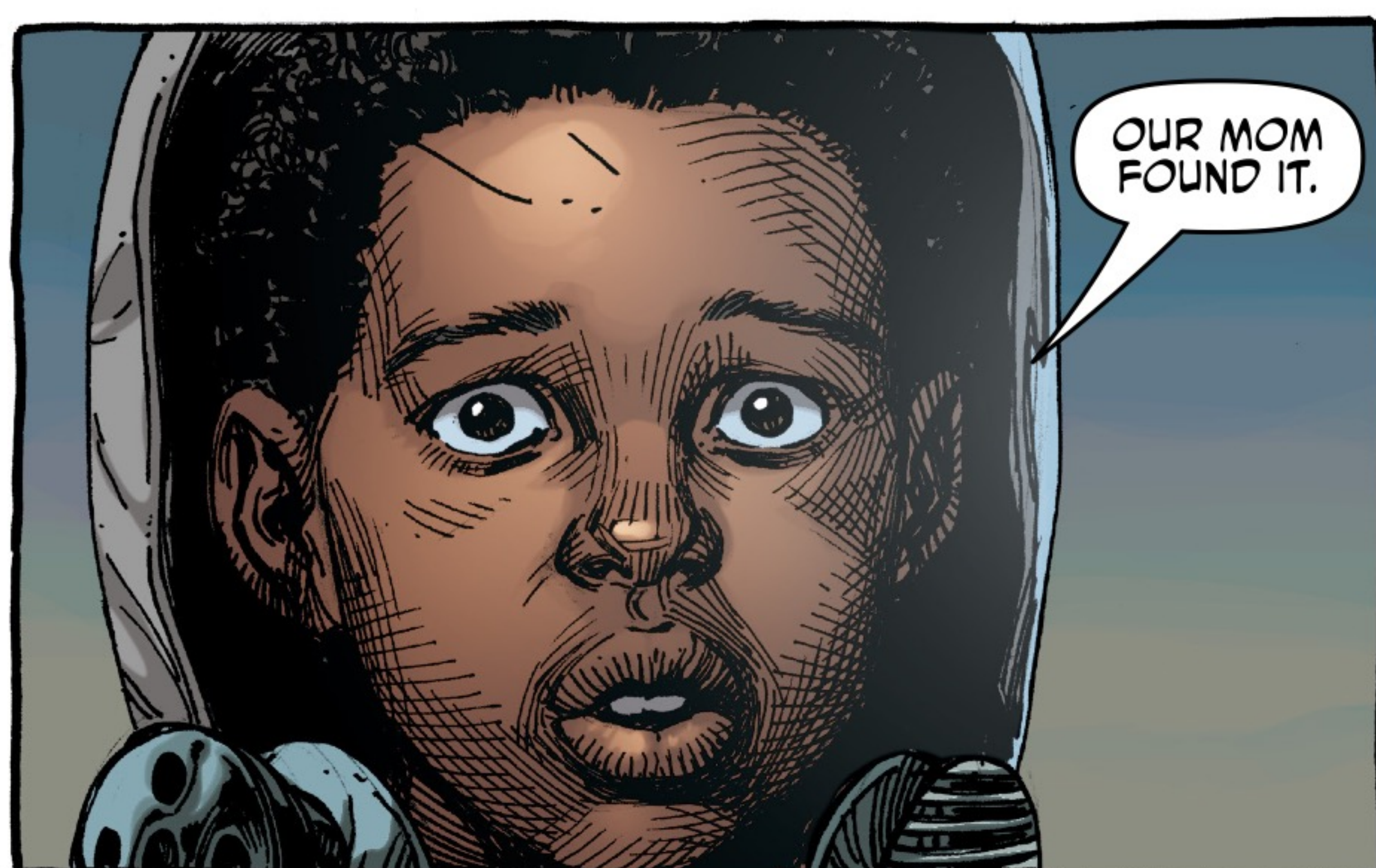
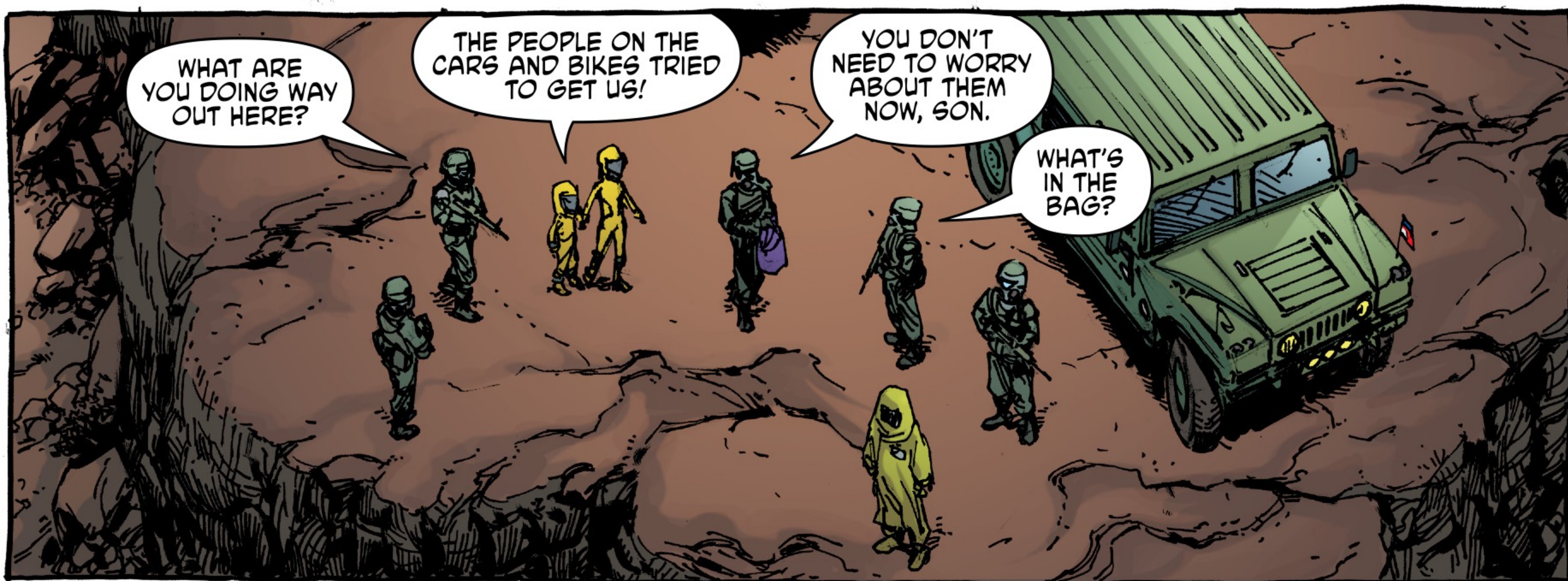
GEIGER AGREED TO TAKE THEM THERE...

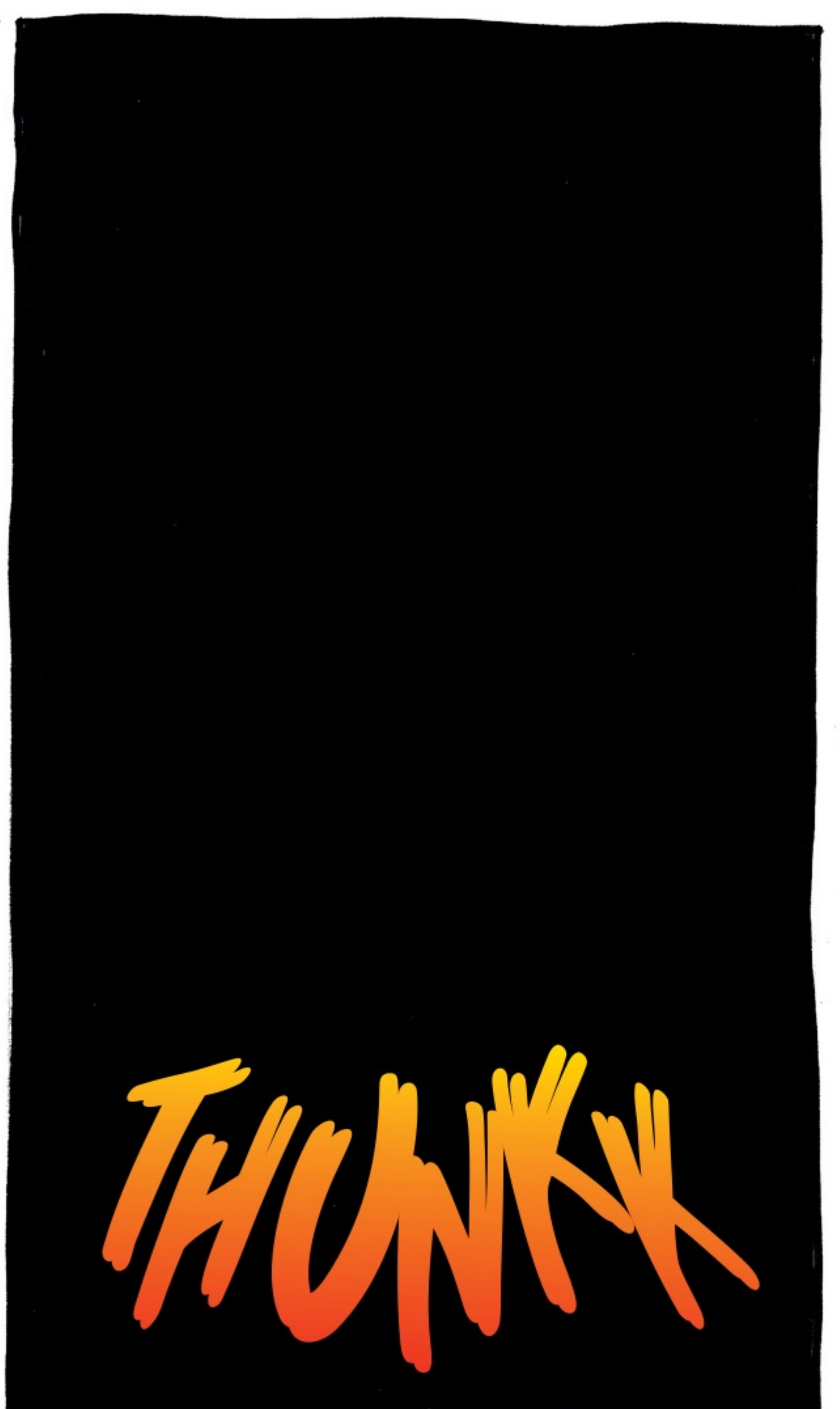
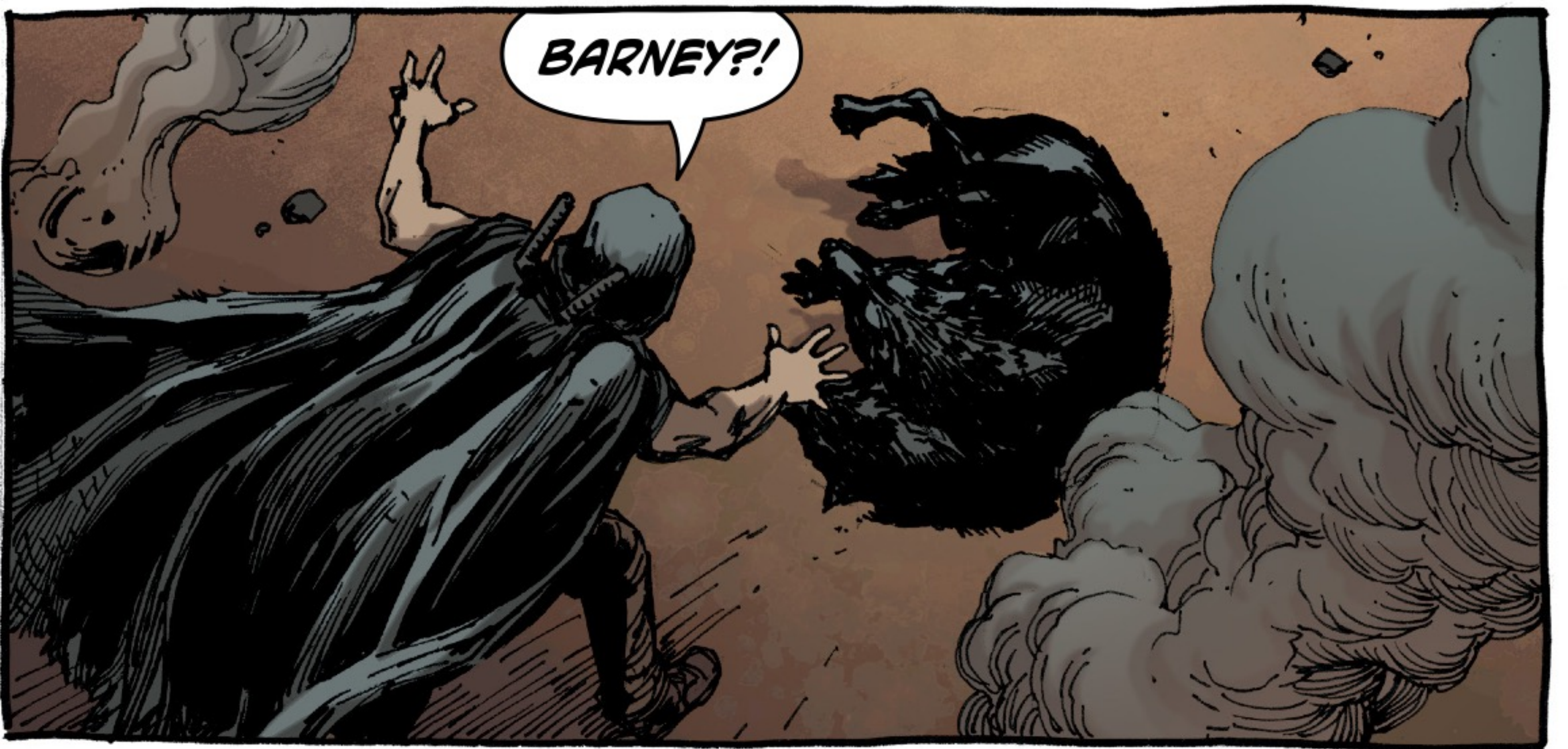
"...BUT THINGS
DIDN'T GO AS
PLANNED..."

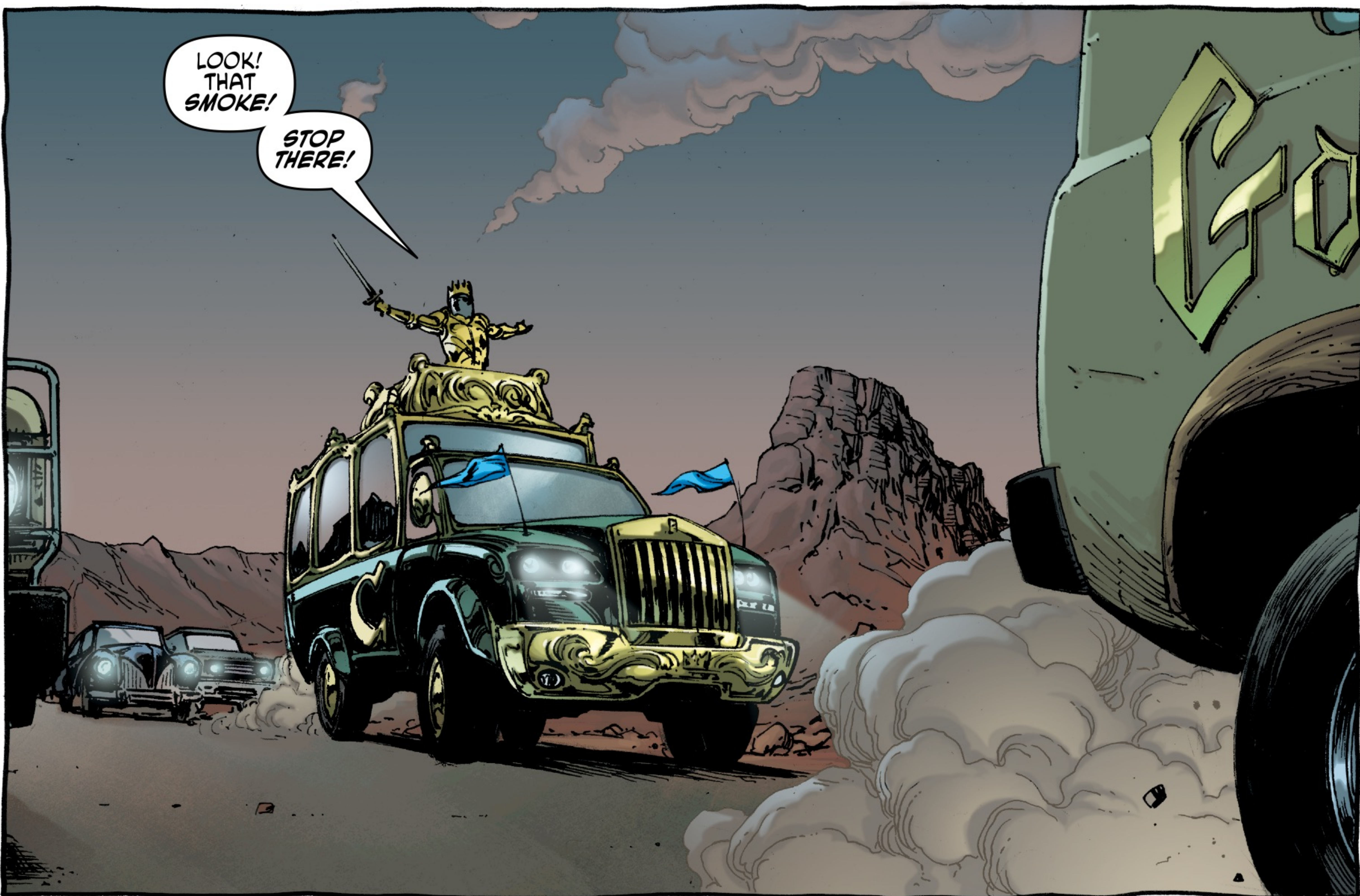
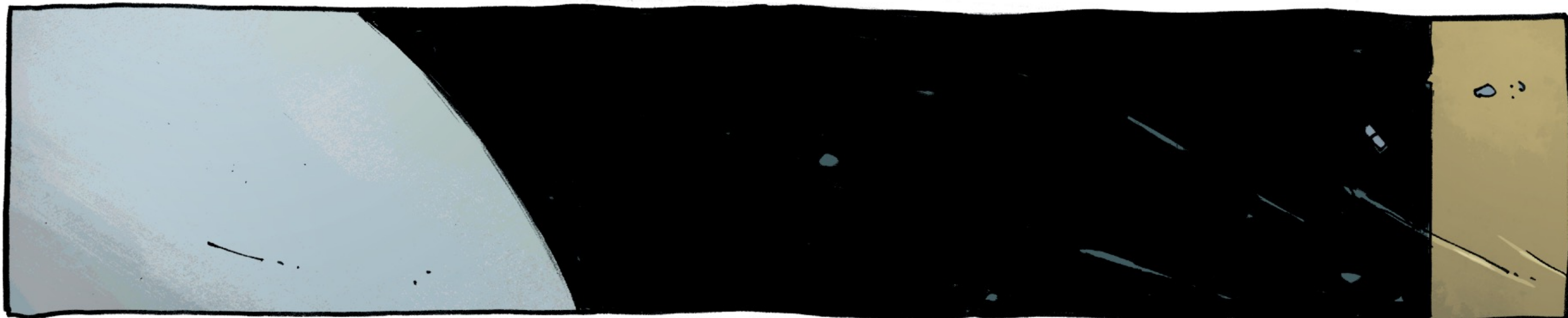
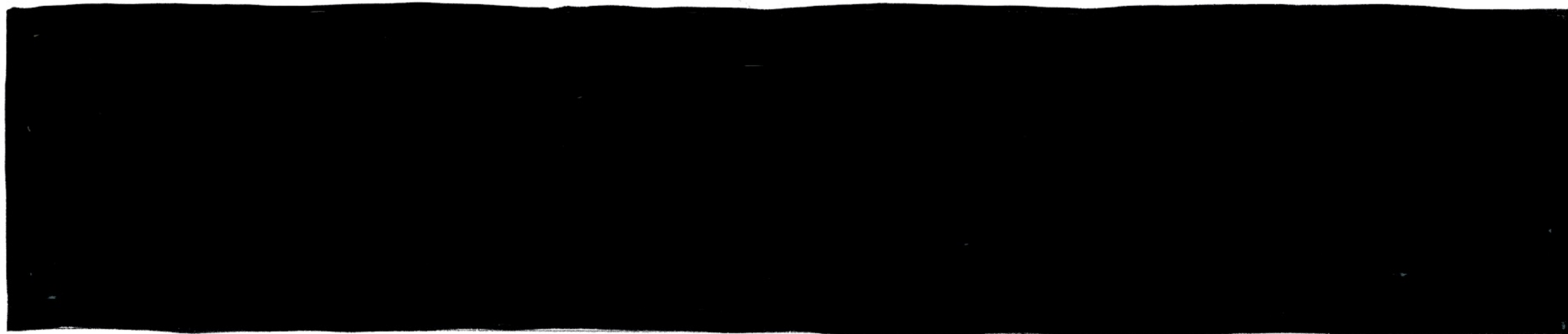
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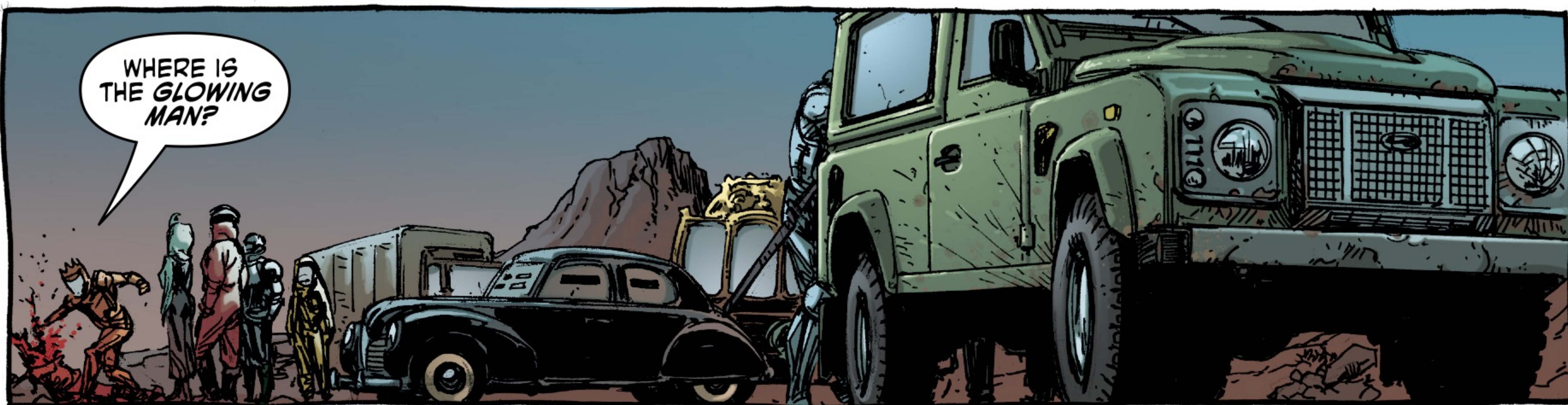












WHERE IS
THE **GLOWING**
MAN?



WHY WON'T
YOU **ANSWER**
ME?!

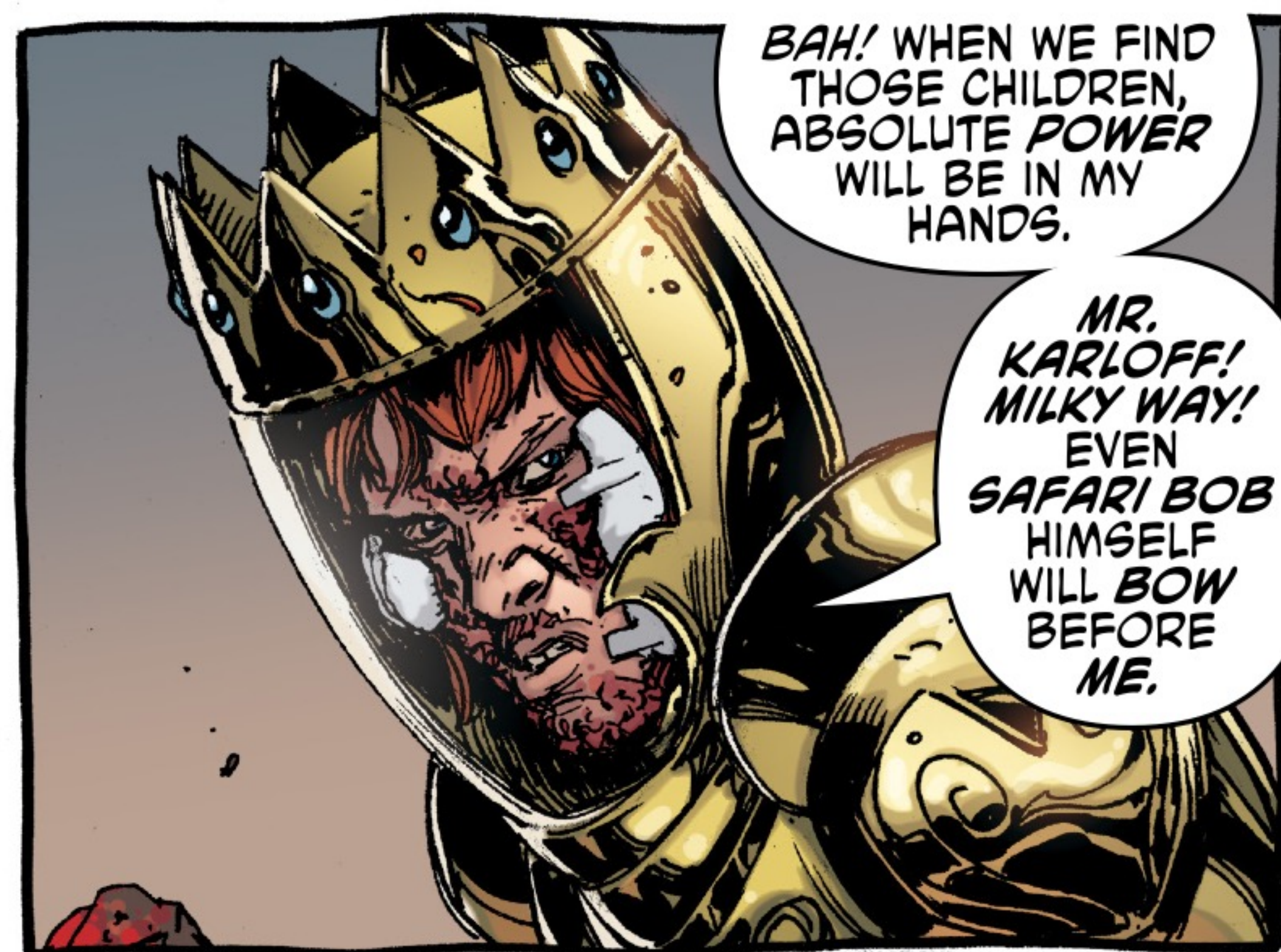
BECAUSE YOU
SMASHED HIS
SKULL IN.

YOU DO
REALIZE MOST
OF THESE
SCABS DON'T
EVEN **TALK**.

LOOK
AT **THAT**
ONE.



IT'S
GOT **THREE**
EYES.



BAH! WHEN WE FIND
THOSE CHILDREN,
ABSOLUTE **POWER**
WILL BE IN MY
HANDS.

MR. KARLOFF!
MILKY WAY!
EVEN
SAFARI BOB
HIMSELF
WILL **BOW**
BEFORE
ME.



GOLDBEARD AIN'T
DOING NO **BOWING**,
KING.

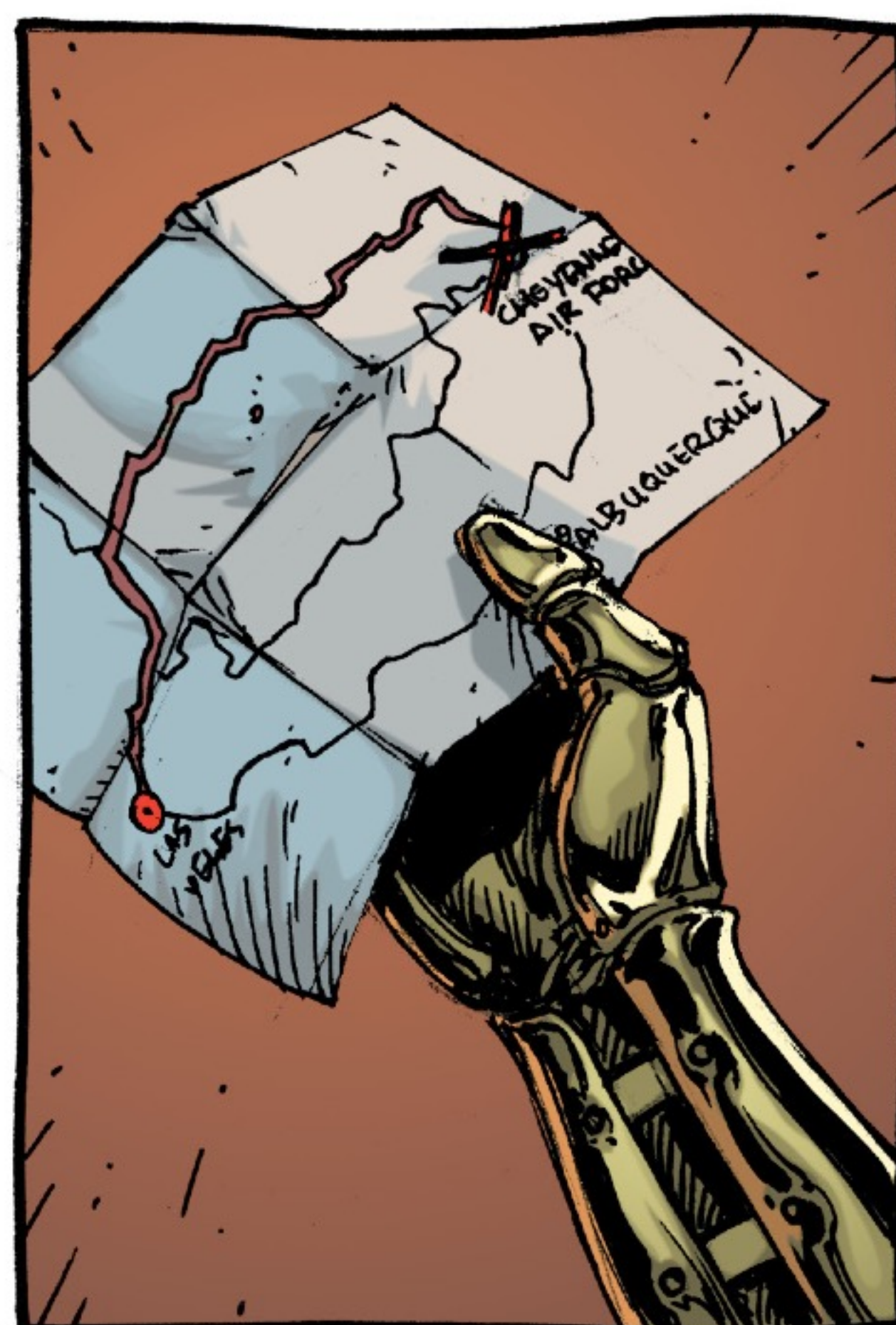
THAT'S
THE DEAL. WE
CARVE **VEGAS** UP
AND WE **RULE** IT
TOGETHER.

AND YOU
GET **THE GLOWING**
MAN TO **STUFF** AND
MOUNT.

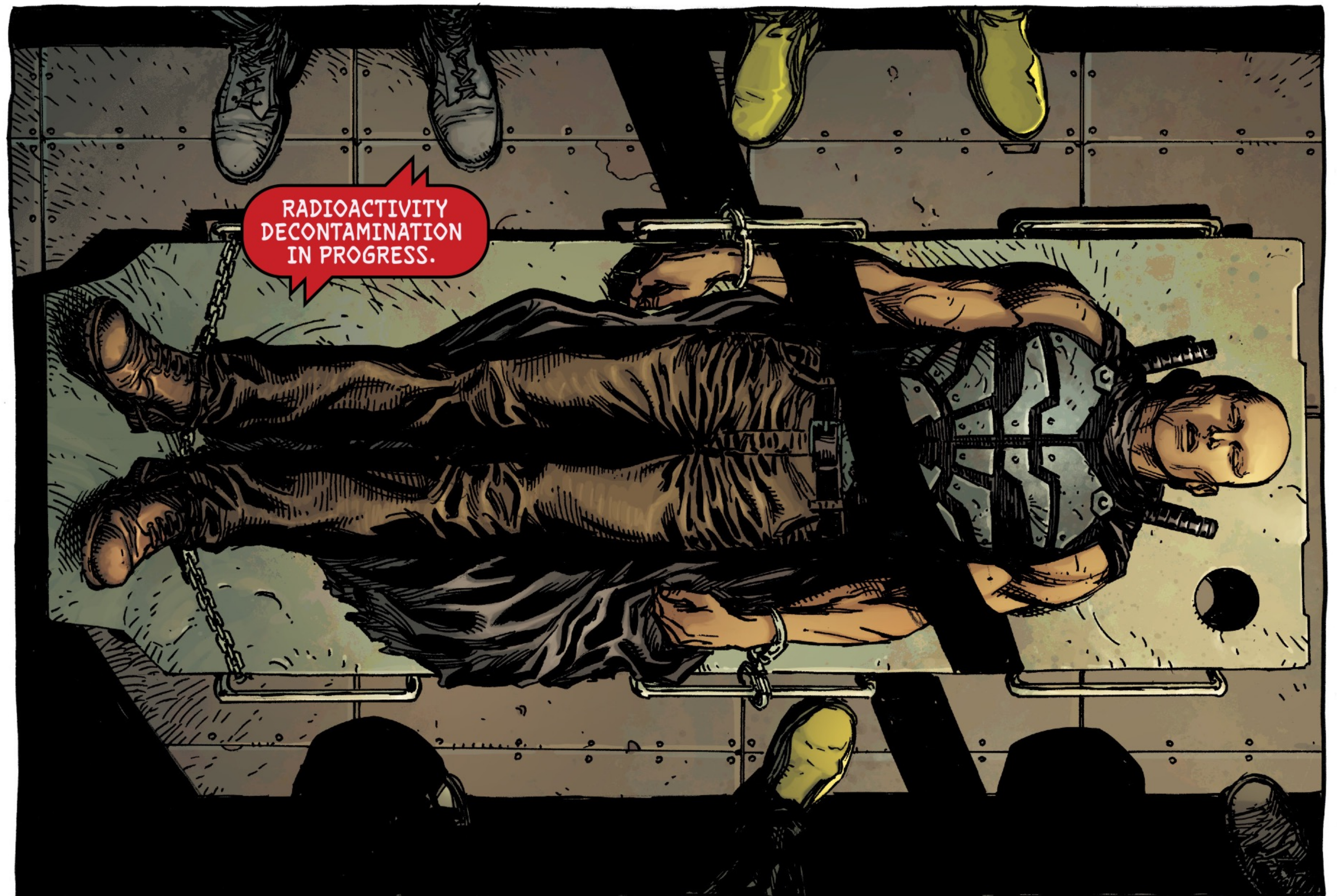
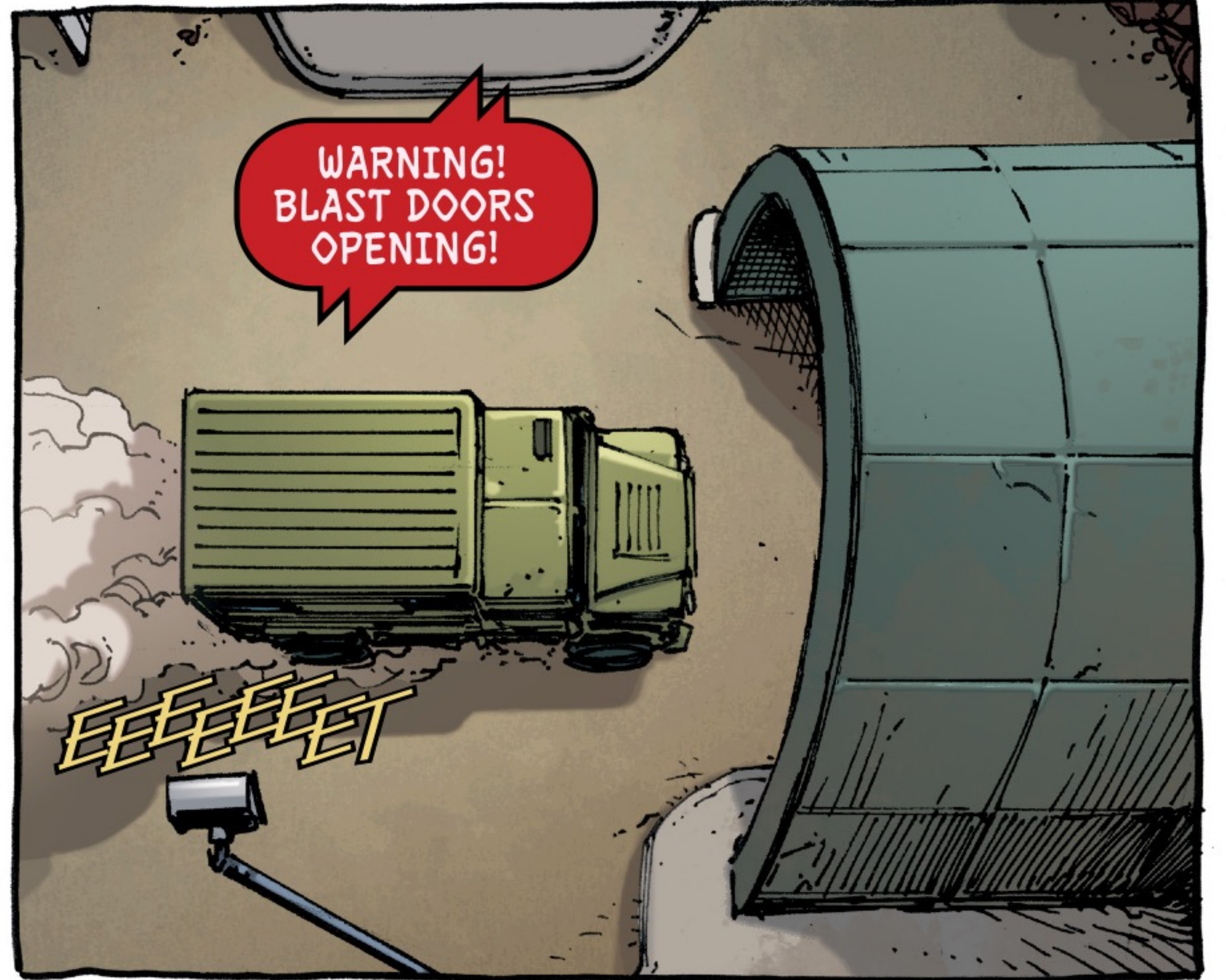
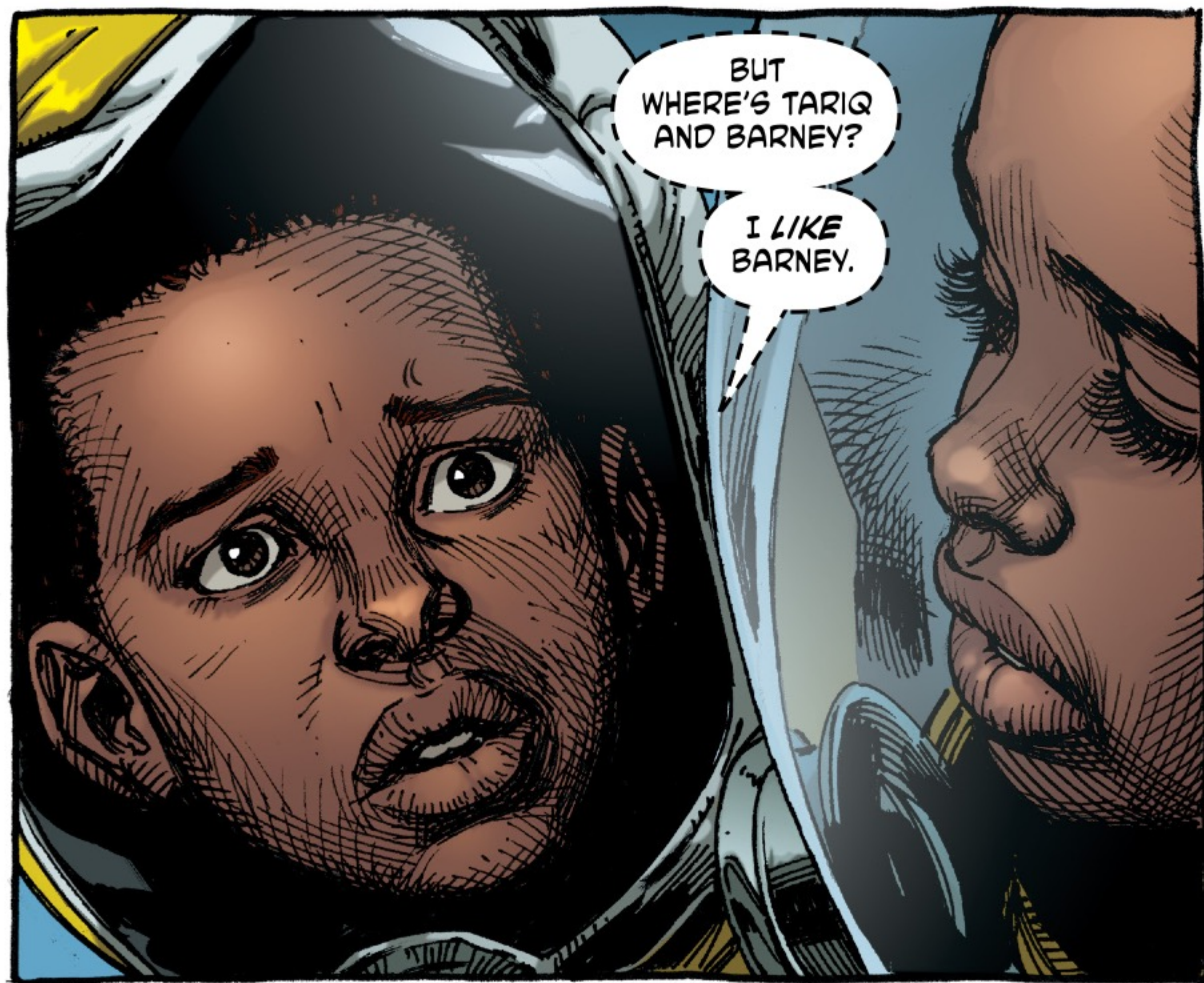
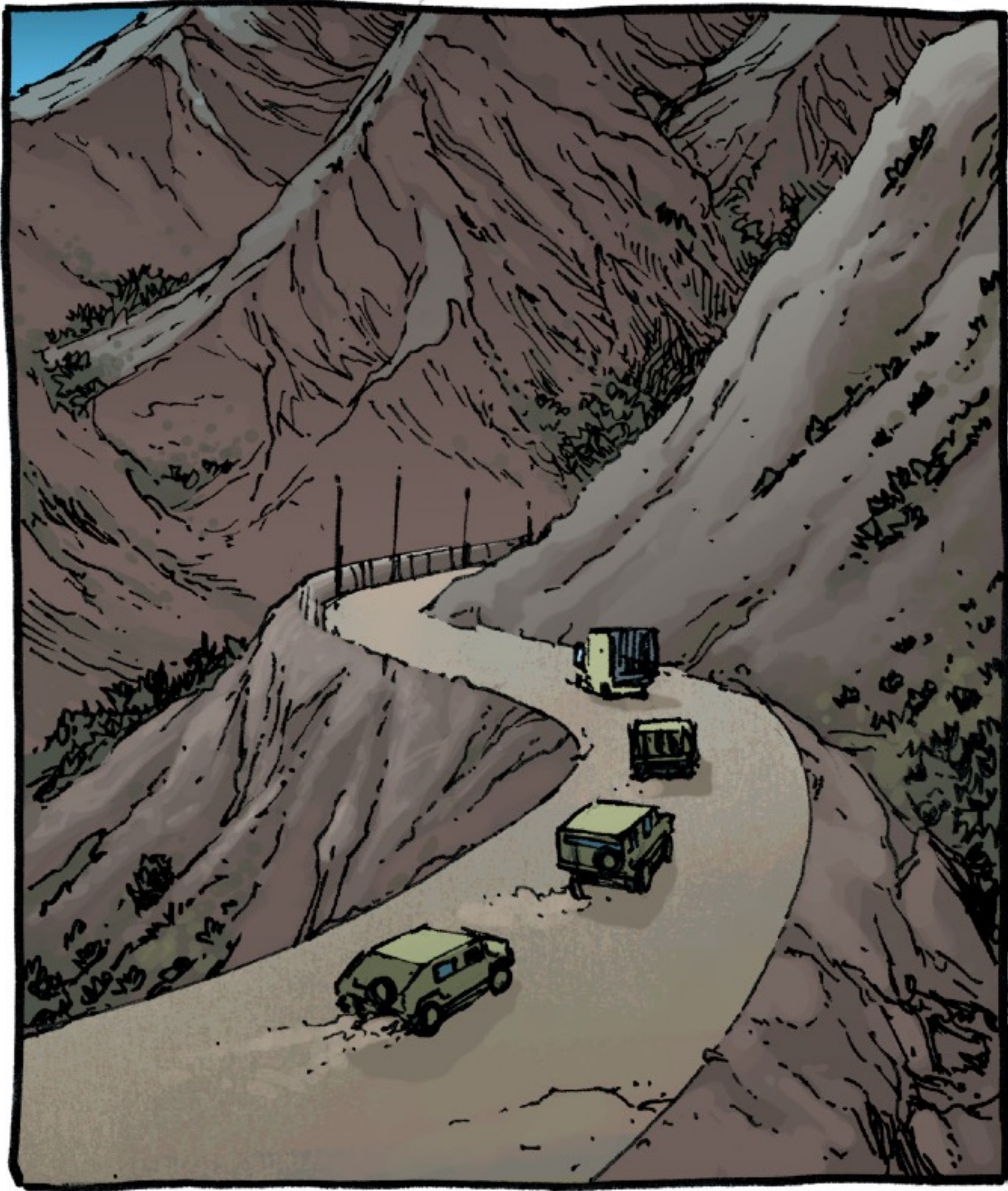


SIR?

WE FOUND
SOMETHING.



EXCELLENT.



"THE NUCLEAR FOOTBALL WENT MISSING *YEARS* AGO WHEN AIR FORCE ONE WENT DOWN. HOW DID THESE *CHILDREN* COME INTO POSSESSION OF IT?"



THEY SAID THEIR *MOTHER* GAVE IT TO THEM, MR. VICE PRESIDENT.



WHEN AIR FORCE ONE WENT DOWN IT WAS SCAVENGED.



THE FOOTBALL WAS LOST. WE THOUGHT, BEST CASE, *DESTROYED*.

"YET, WE'VE VERIFIED THIS IS WHAT'S LEFT OF IT."

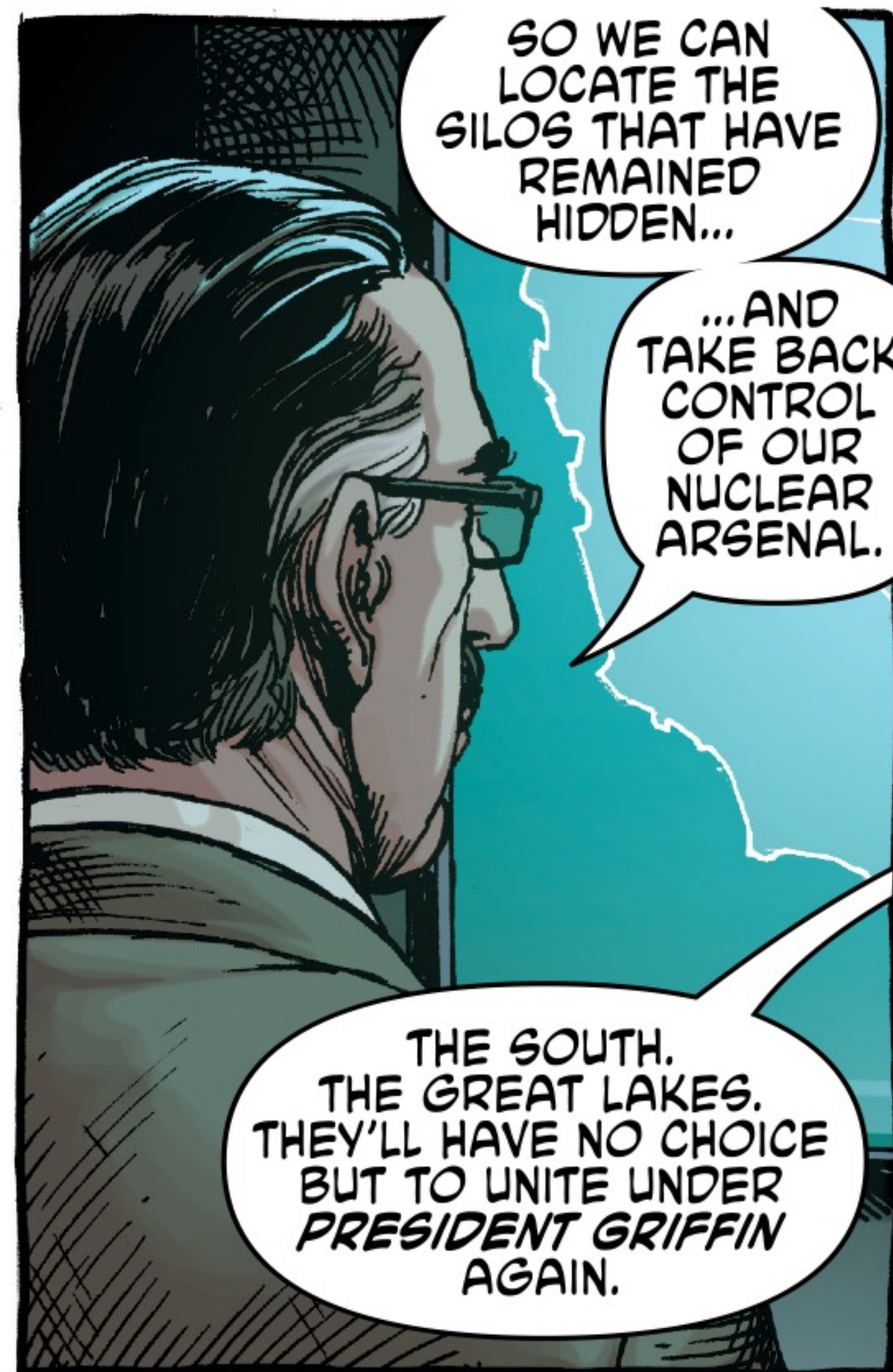
"IT CONTAINS THE SITES OF EVERY NUCLEAR WARHEAD IN AMERICA."



SO WE CAN LOCATE THE SILOS THAT HAVE REMAINED HIDDEN...

...AND TAKE BACK CONTROL OF OUR NUCLEAR ARSENAL.

THE SOUTH. THE GREAT LAKES. THEY'LL HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO UNITE UNDER *PRESIDENT GRIFFIN* AGAIN.

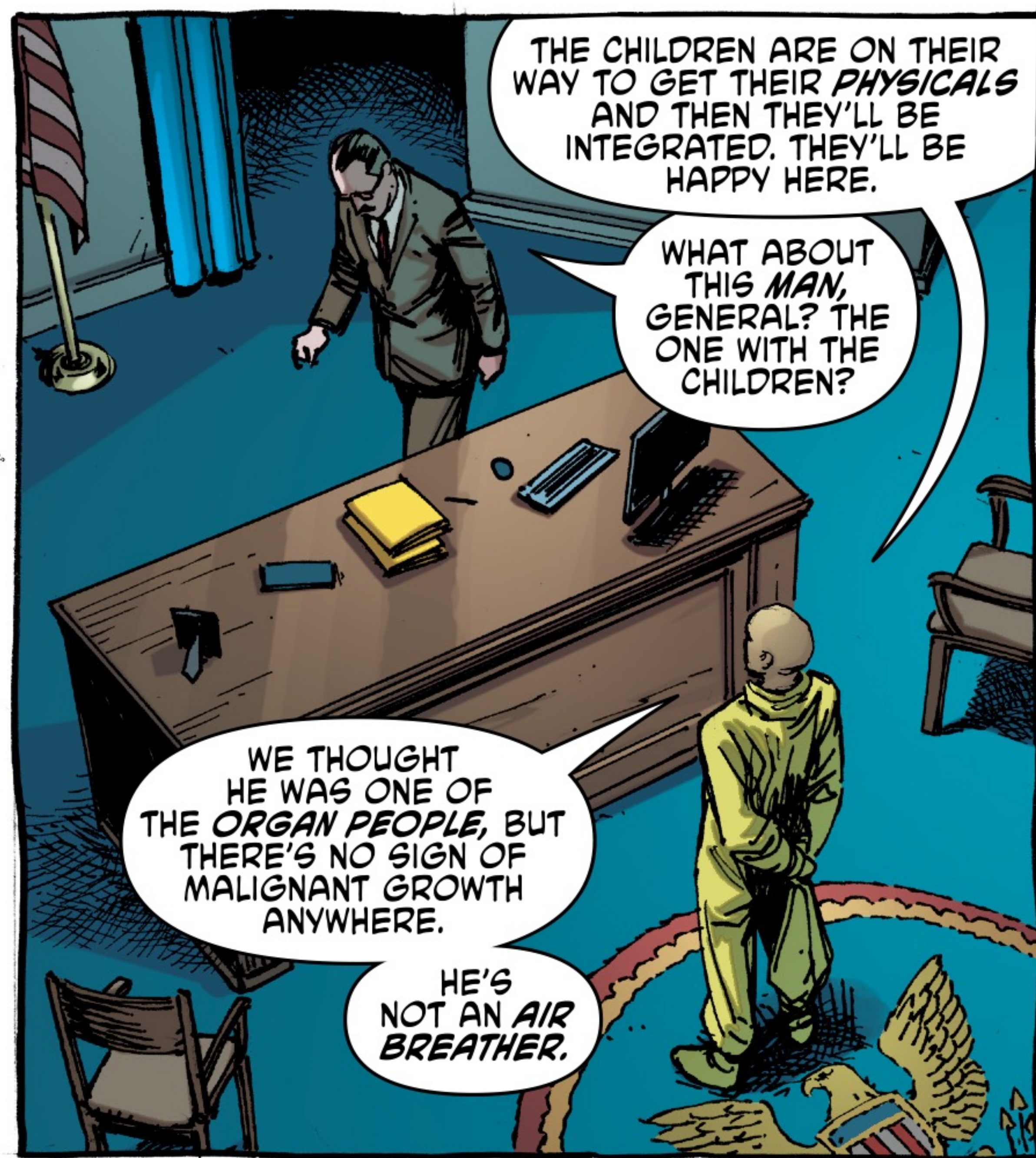


THE CHILDREN ARE ON THEIR WAY TO GET THEIR *PHYSICALS* AND THEN THEY'LL BE INTEGRATED. THEY'LL BE HAPPY HERE.

WHAT ABOUT THIS *MAN*, GENERAL? THE ONE WITH THE CHILDREN?

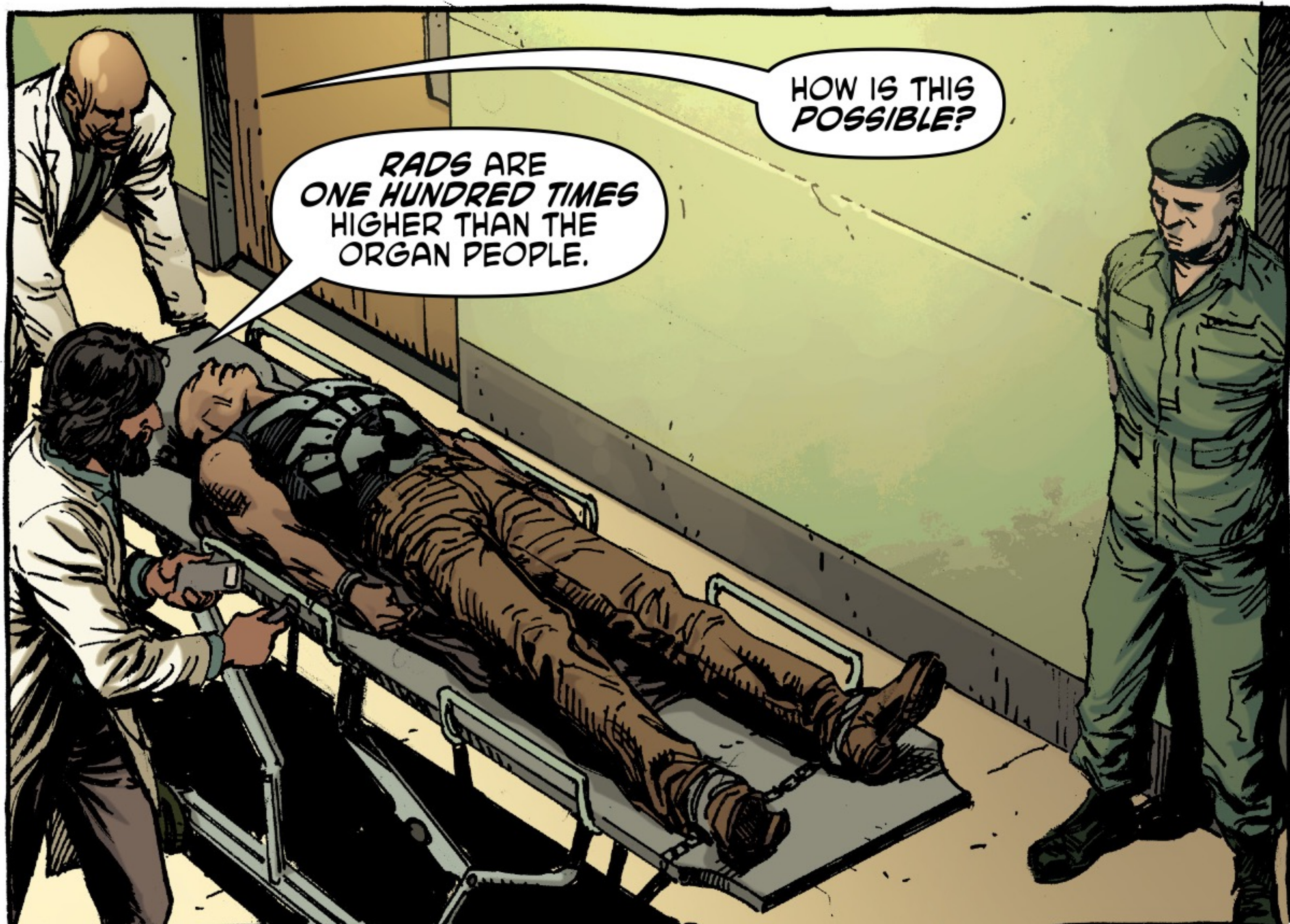
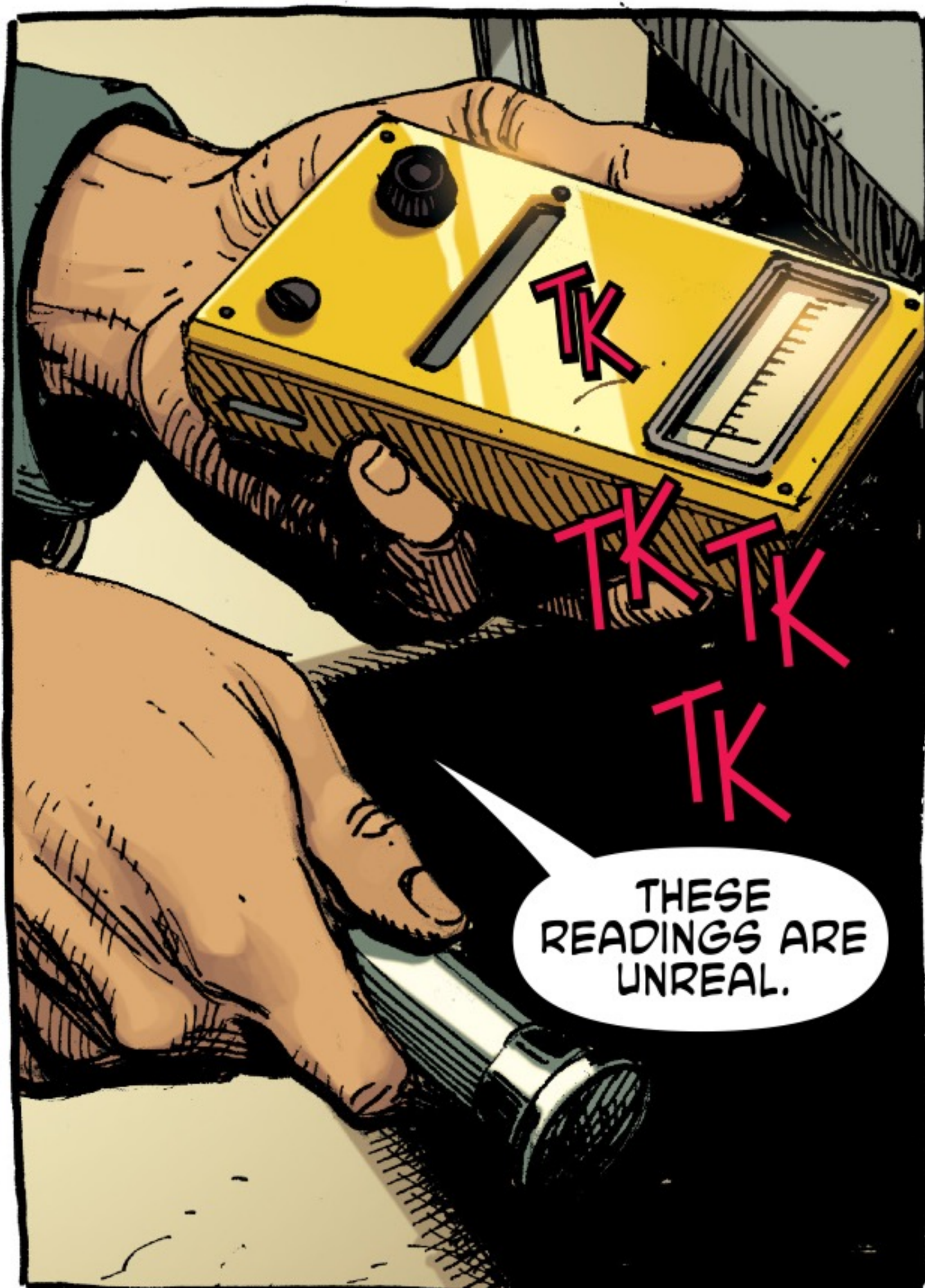
WE THOUGHT HE WAS ONE OF THE *ORGAN PEOPLE*, BUT THERE'S NO SIGN OF MALIGNANT GROWTH ANYWHERE.

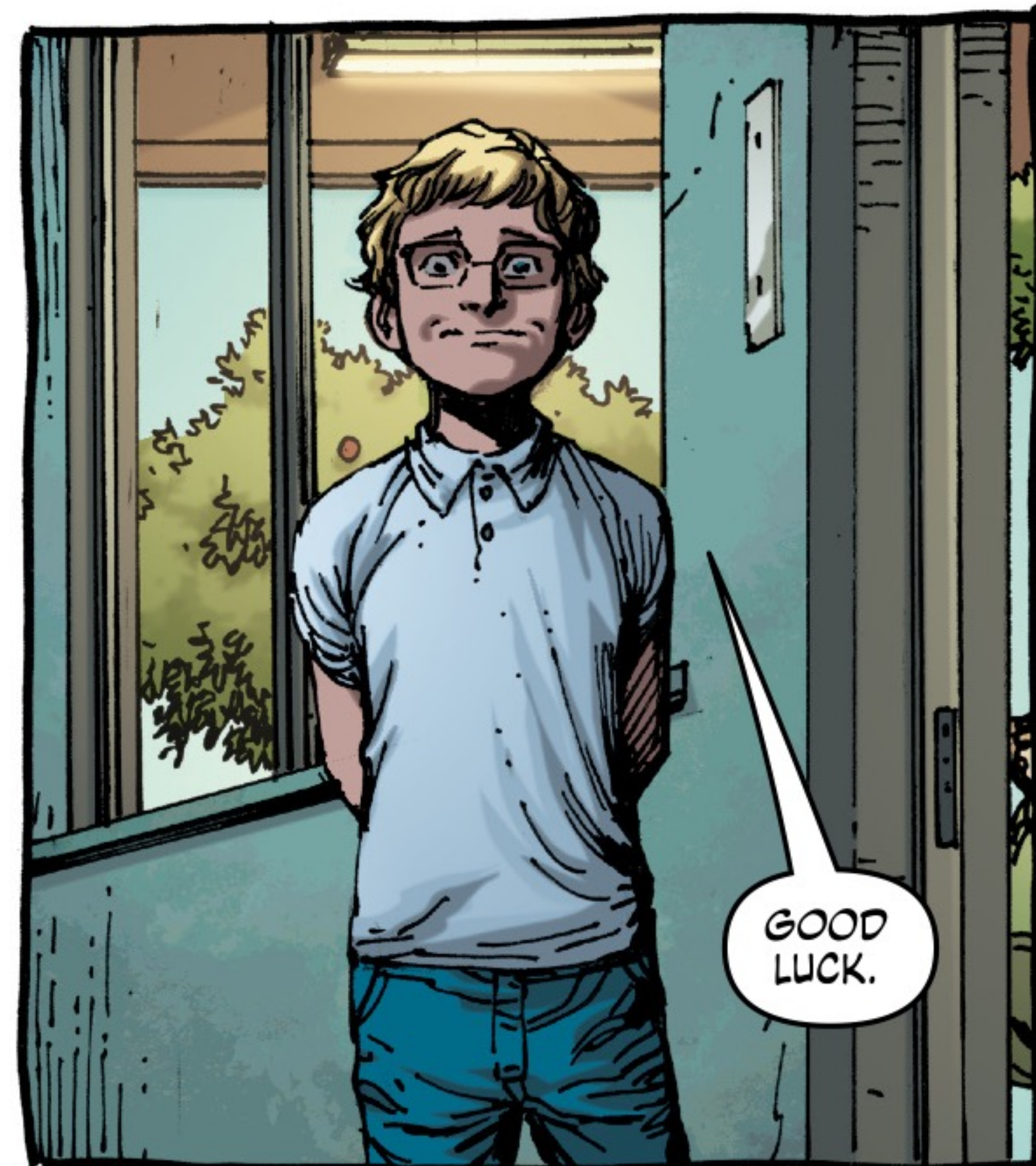
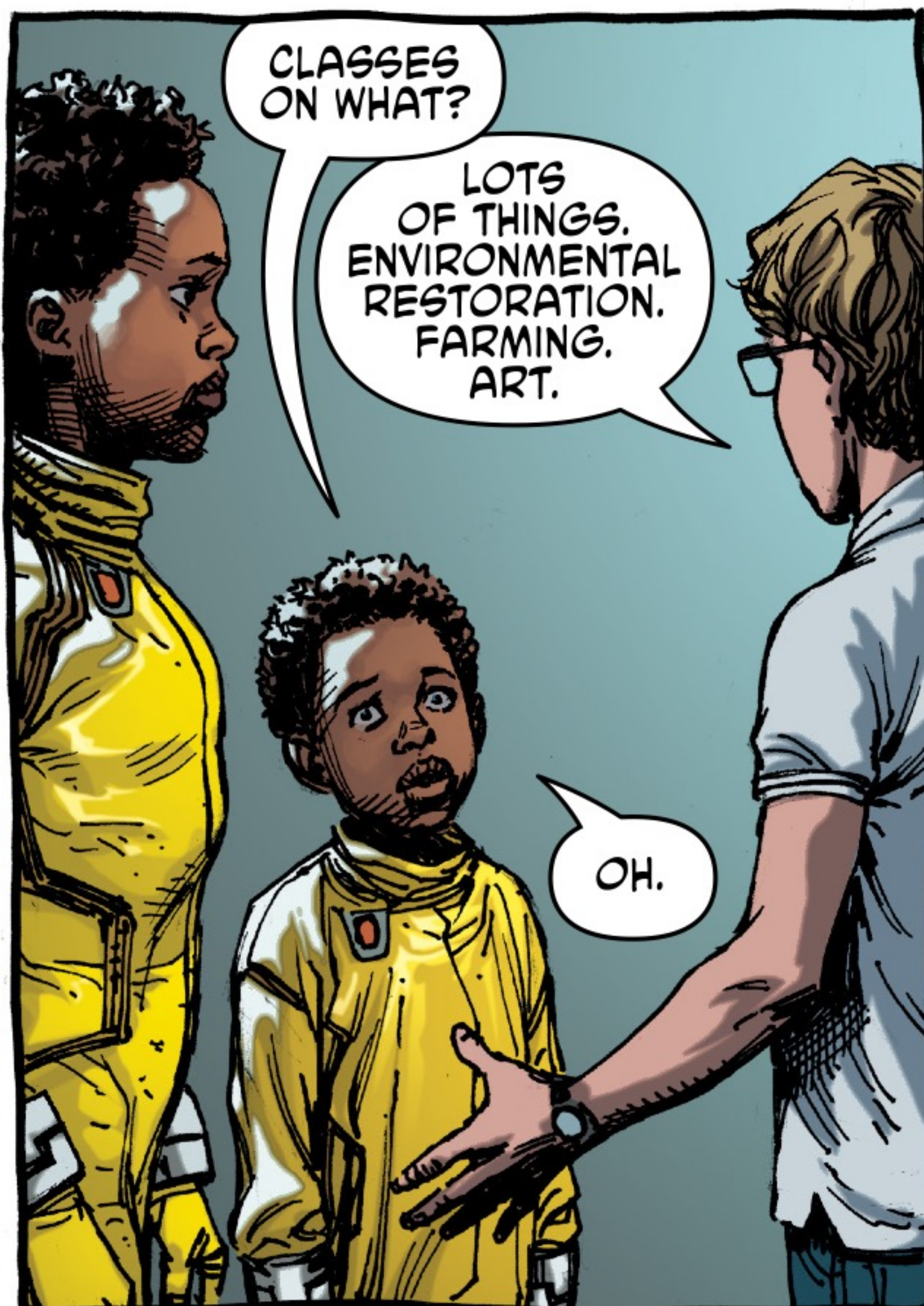
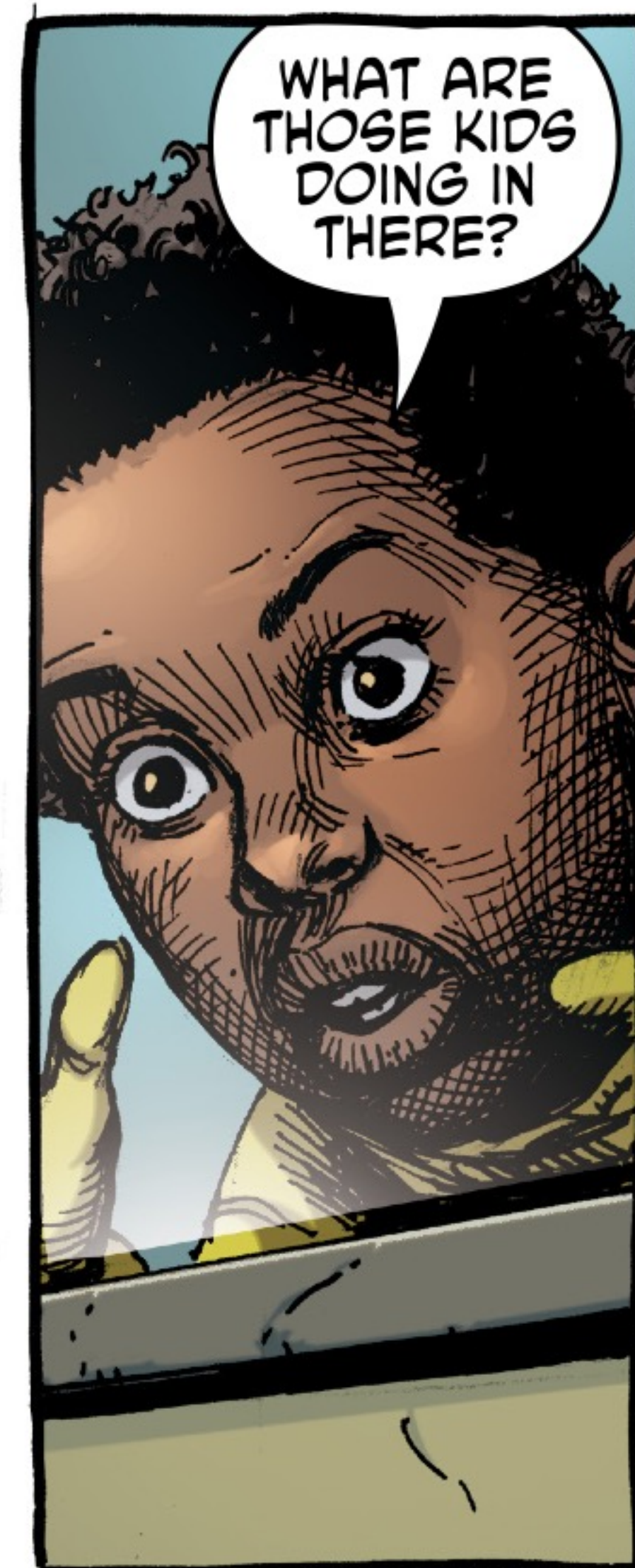
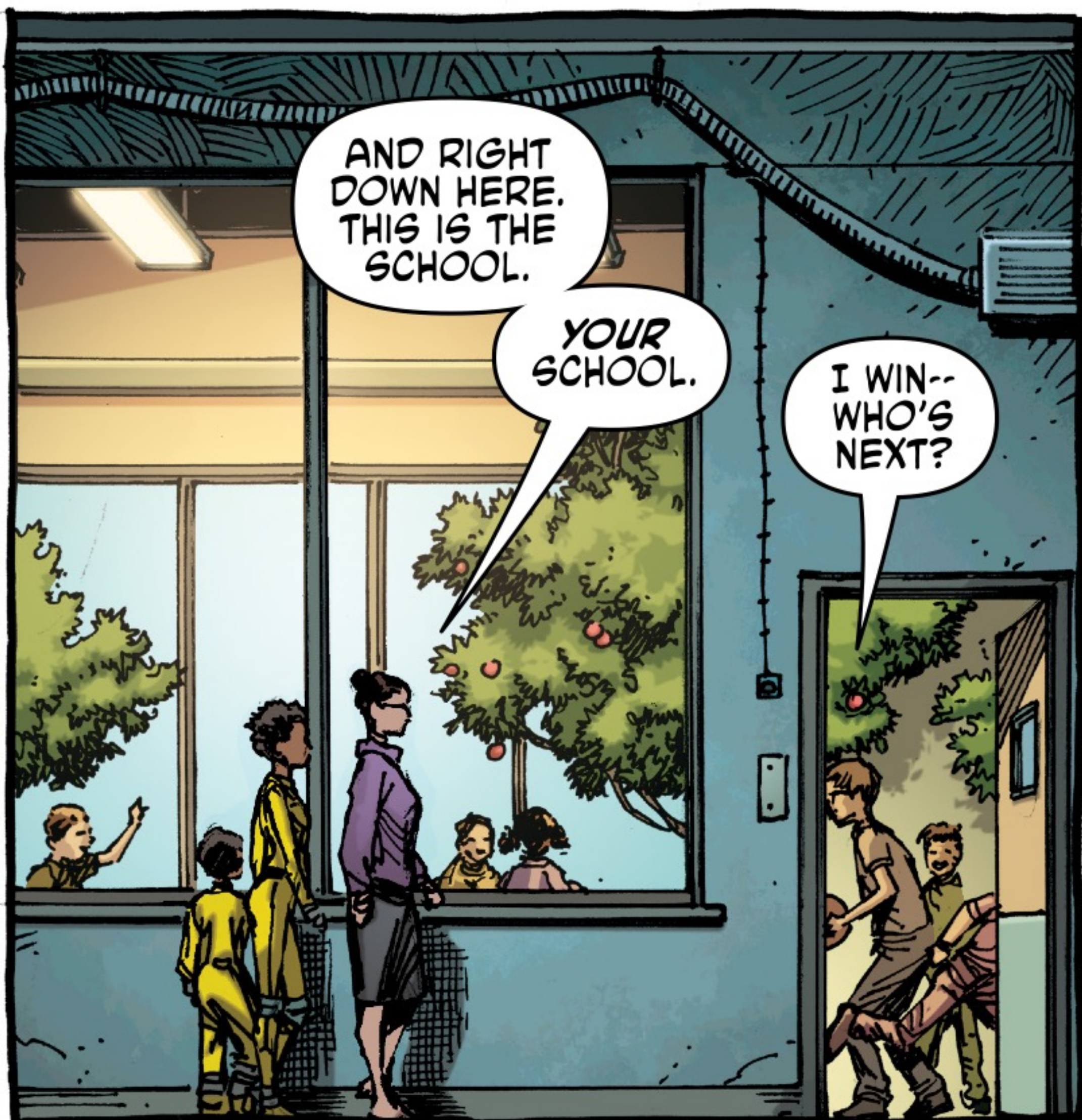
HE'S NOT AN *AIR BREATHER*.

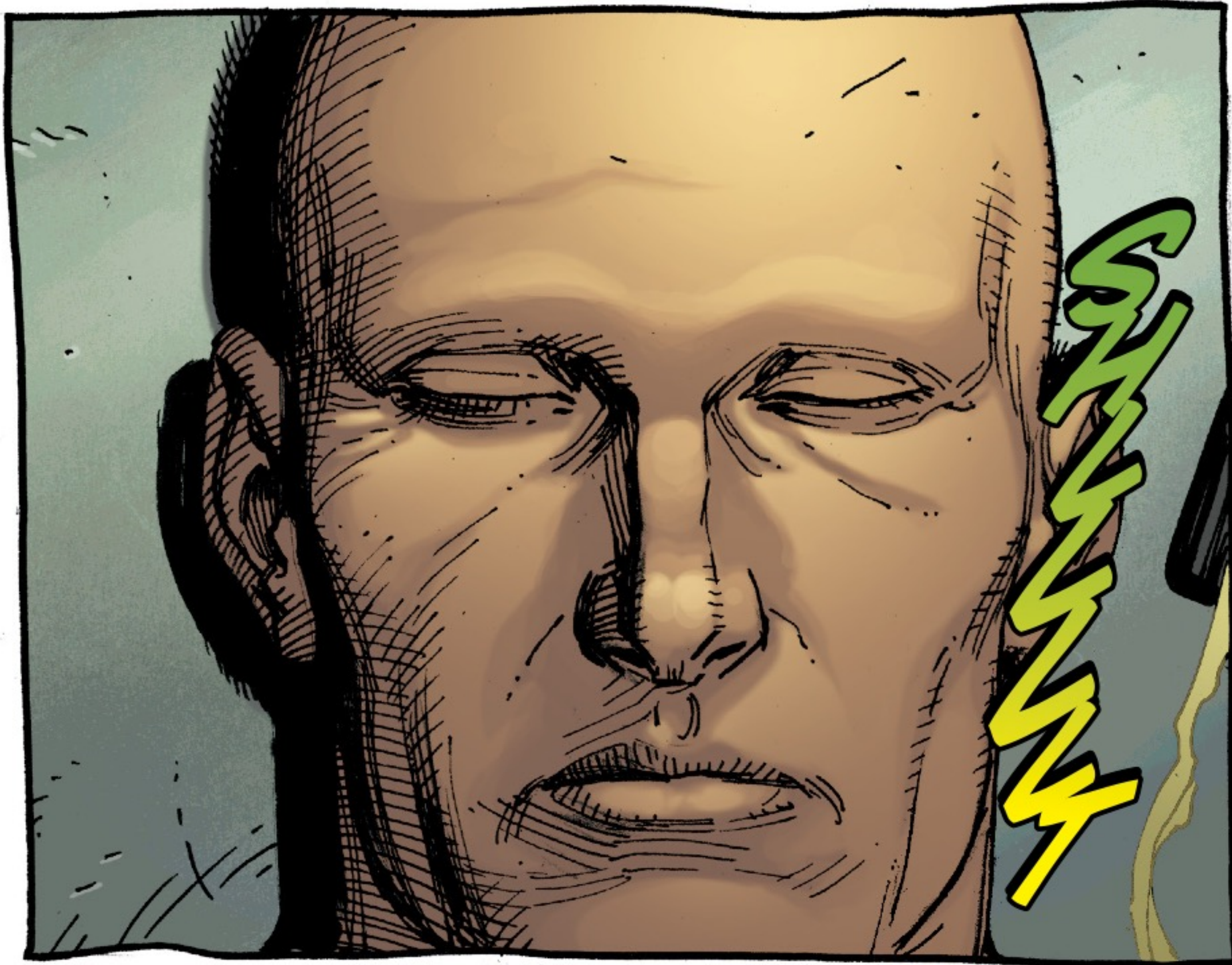
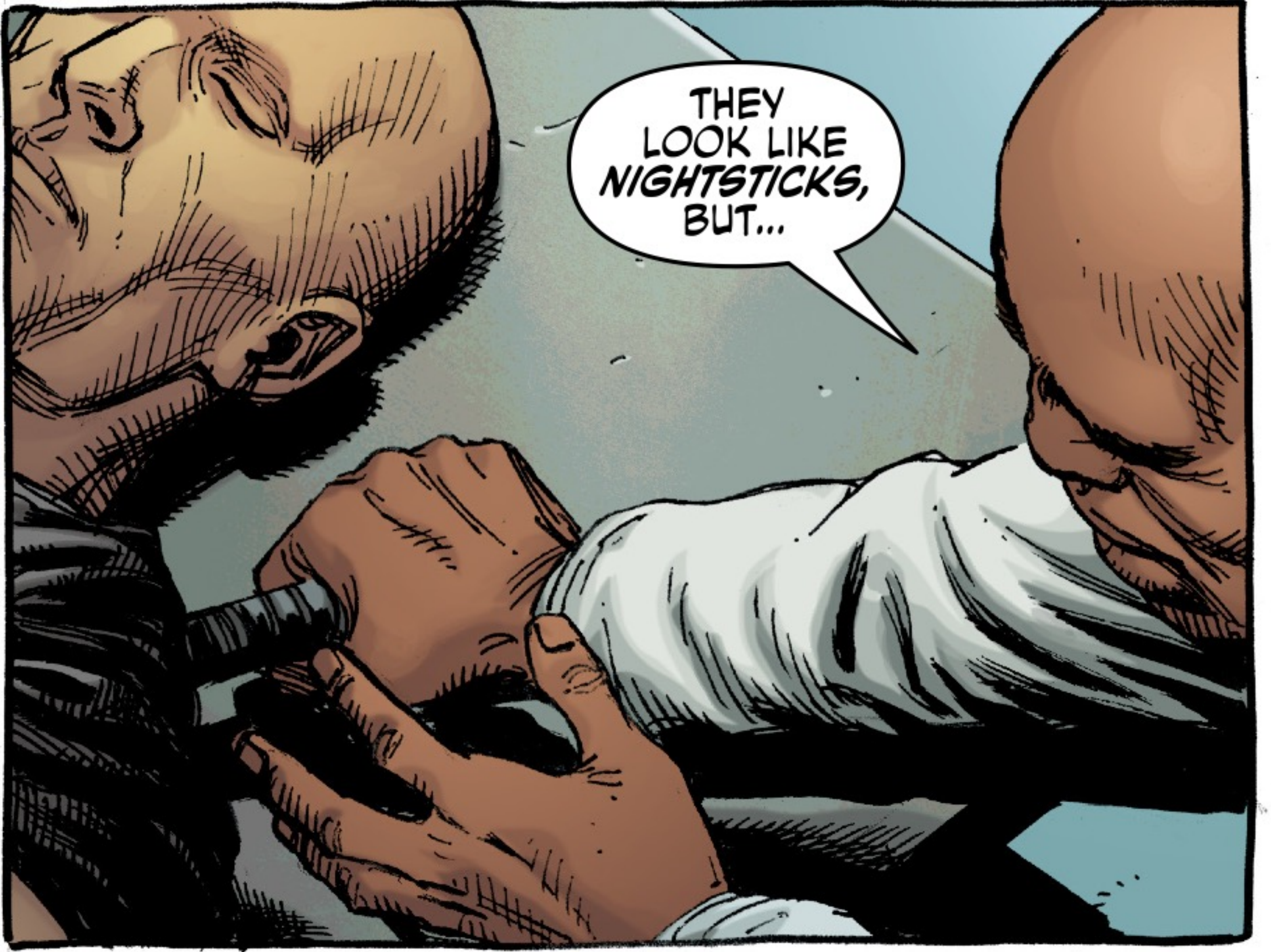


HE'S SOMETHING *ELSE*.







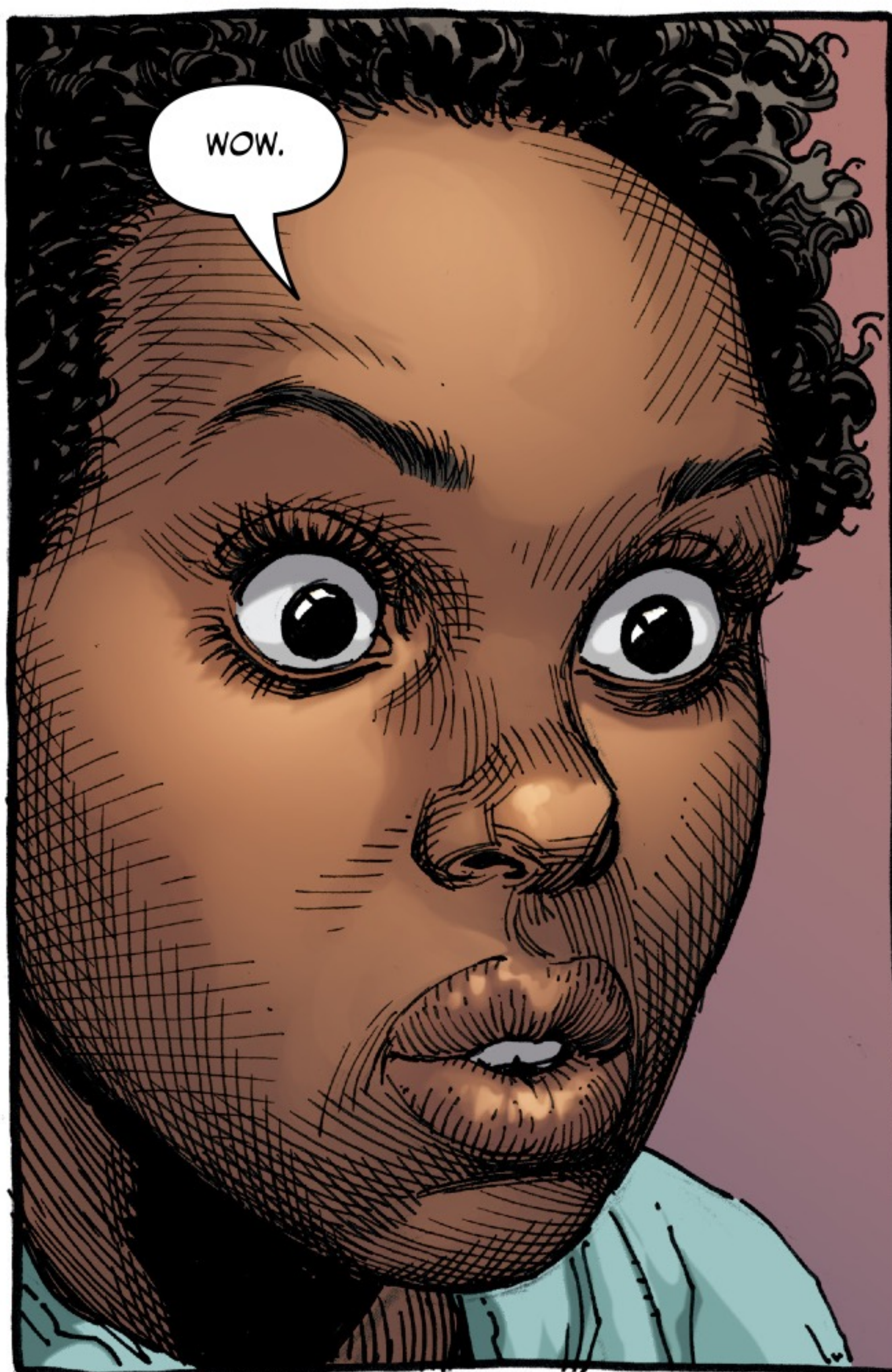
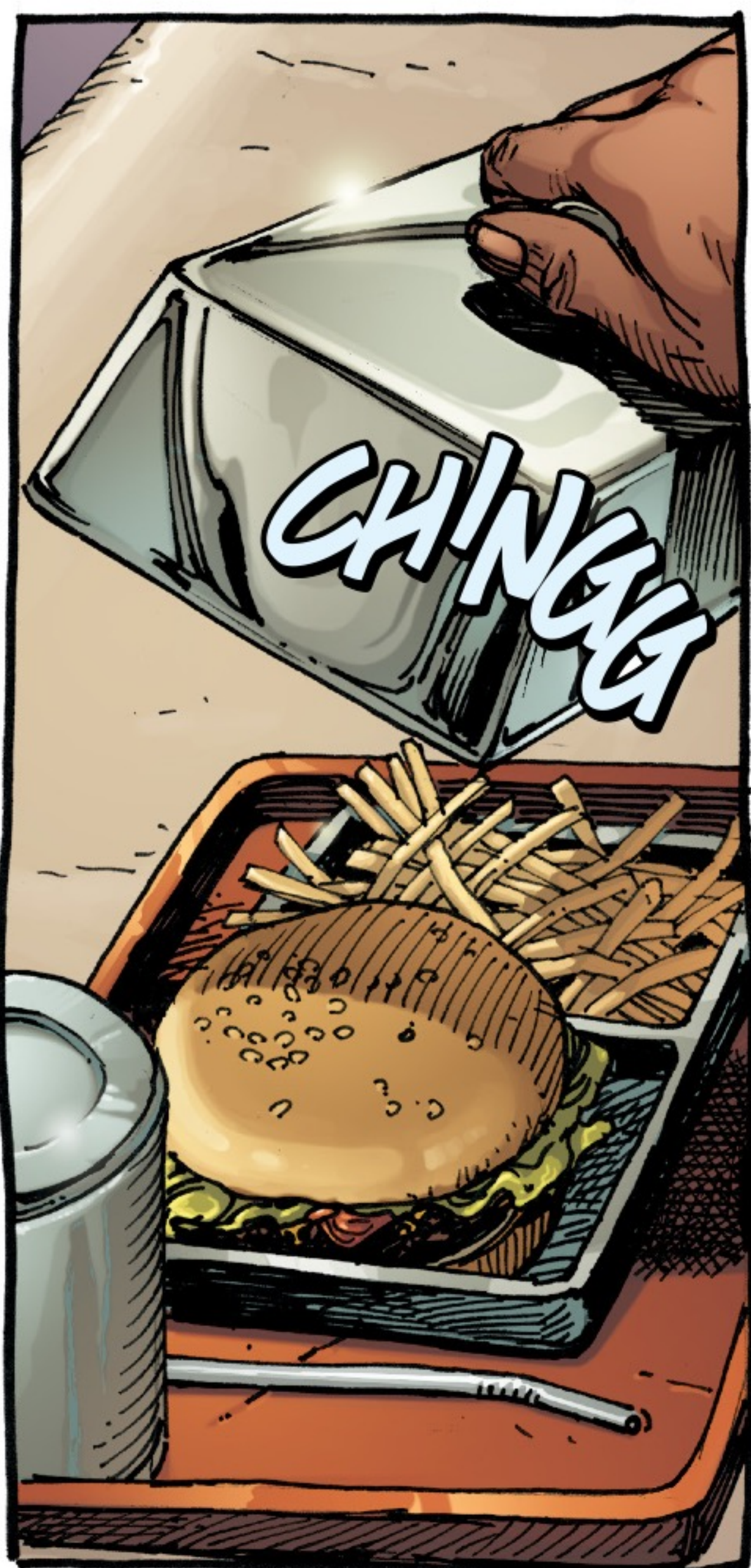
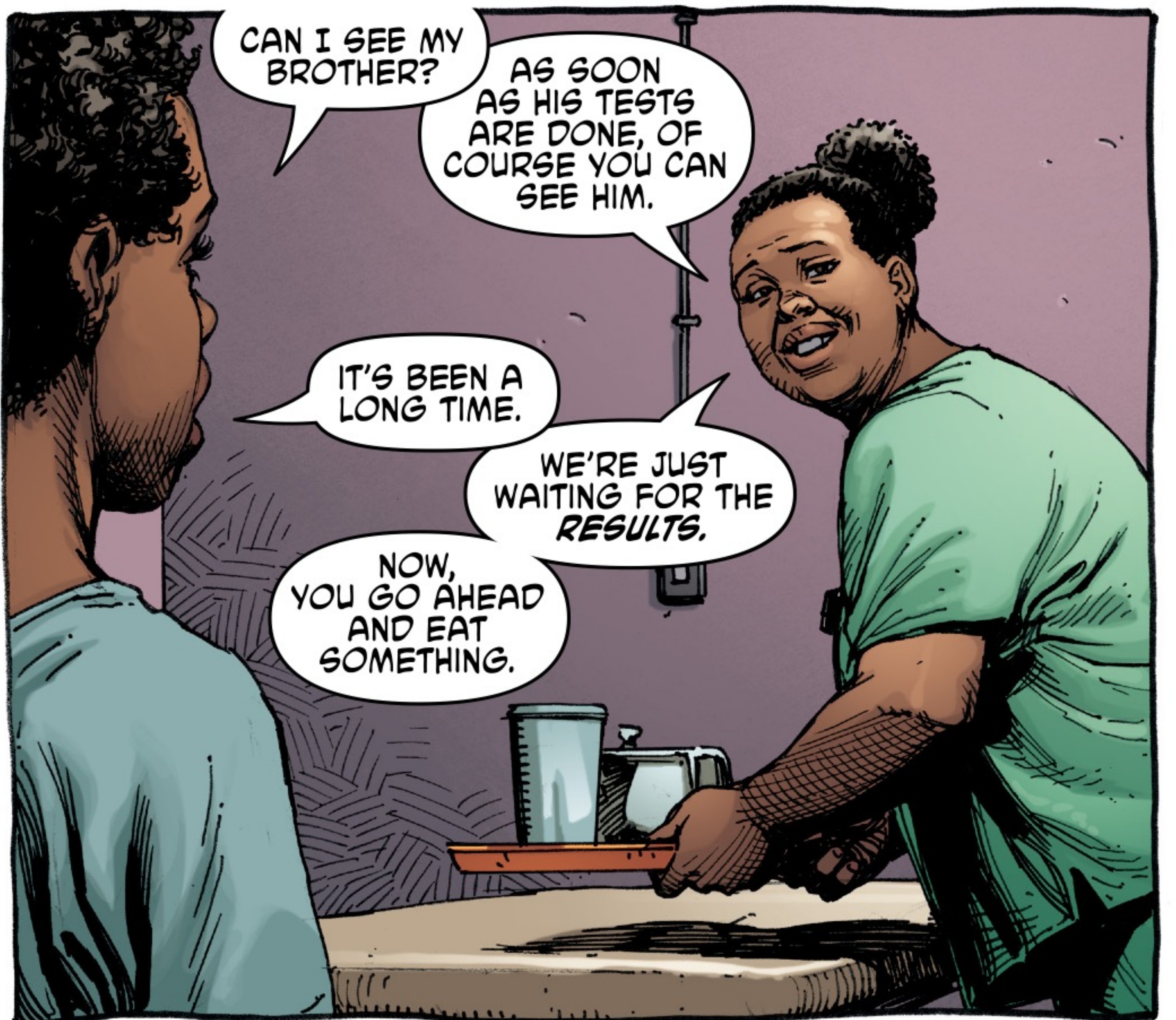
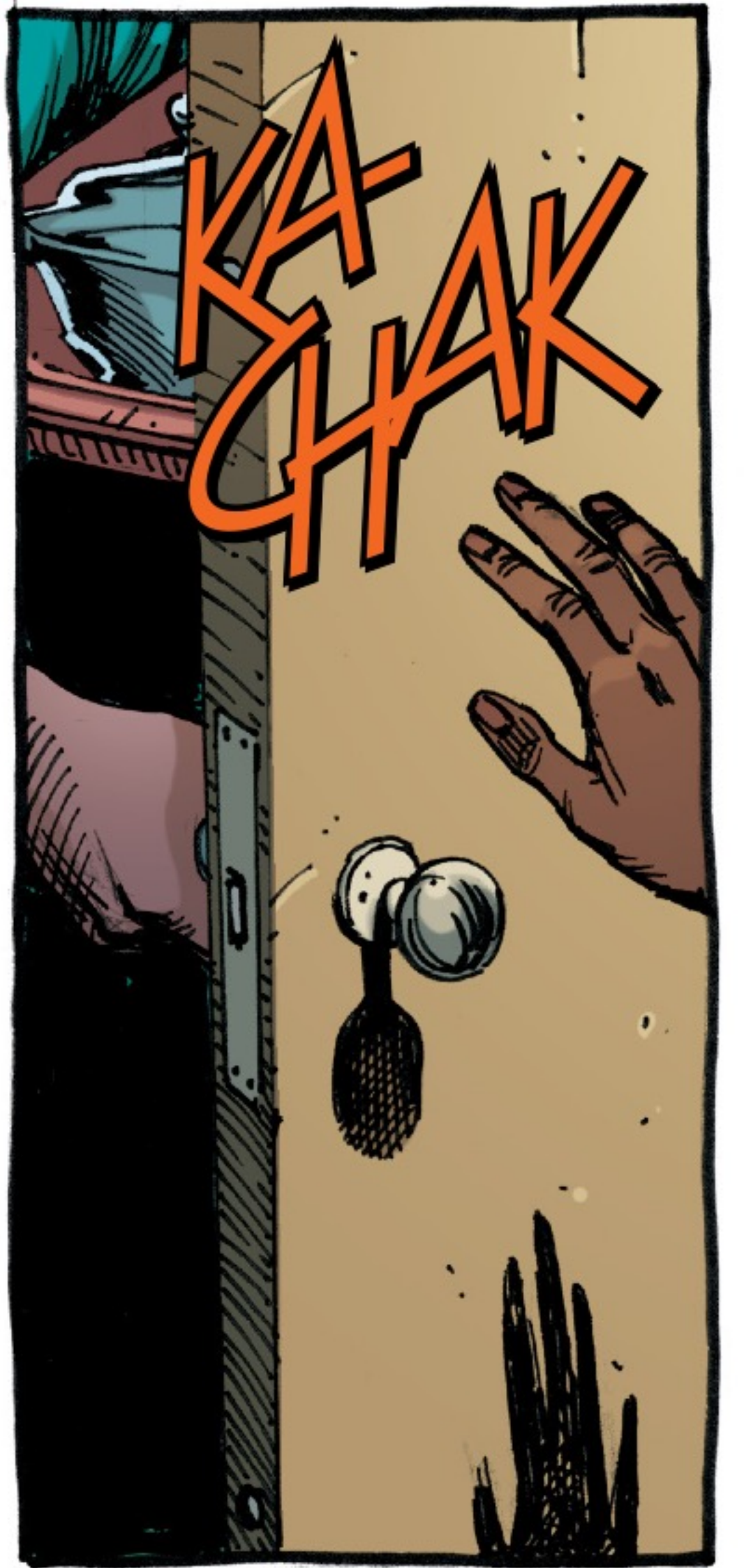




I DON'T THINK WE SHOULD HAVE TAKEN THOSE OUT.

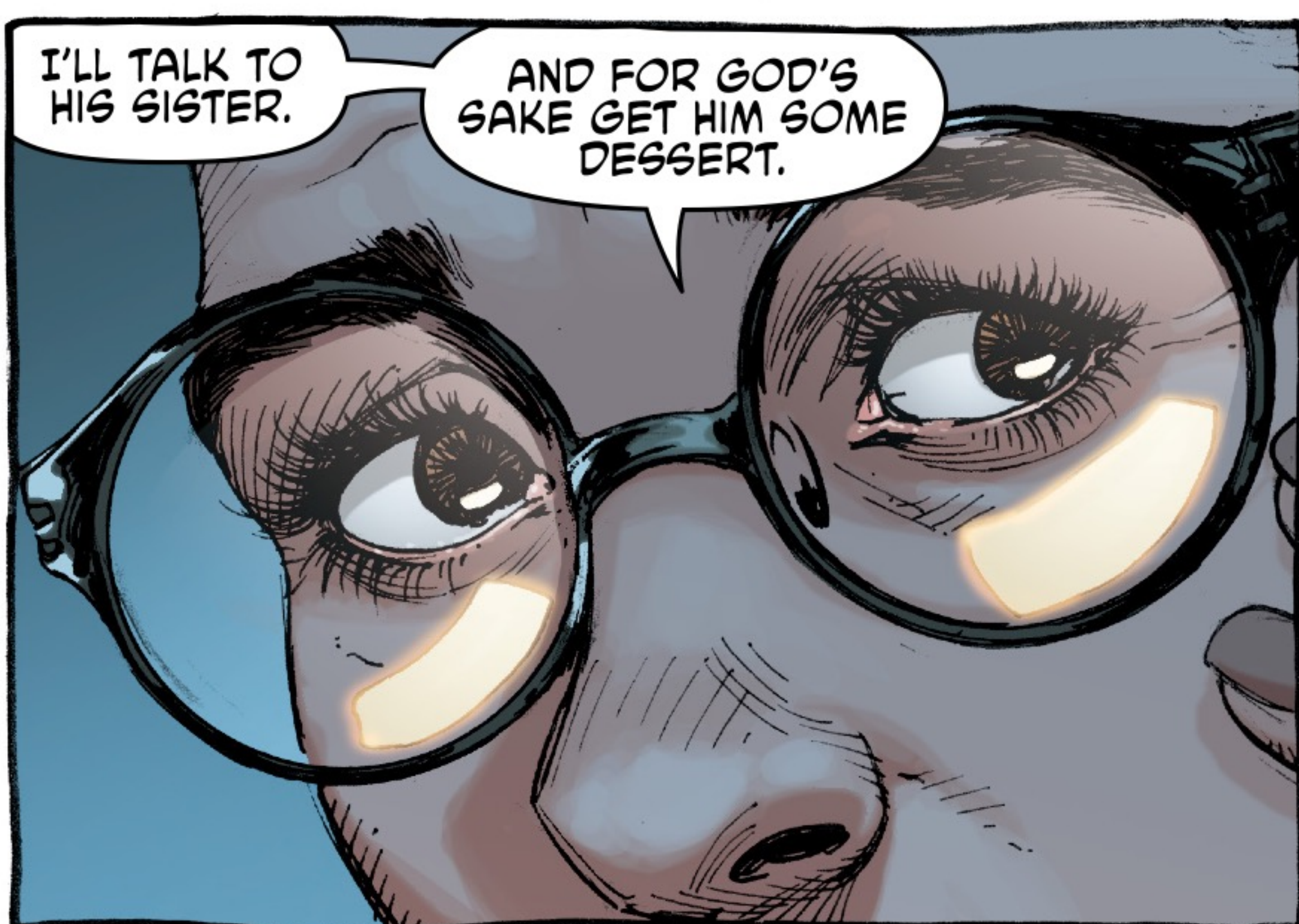
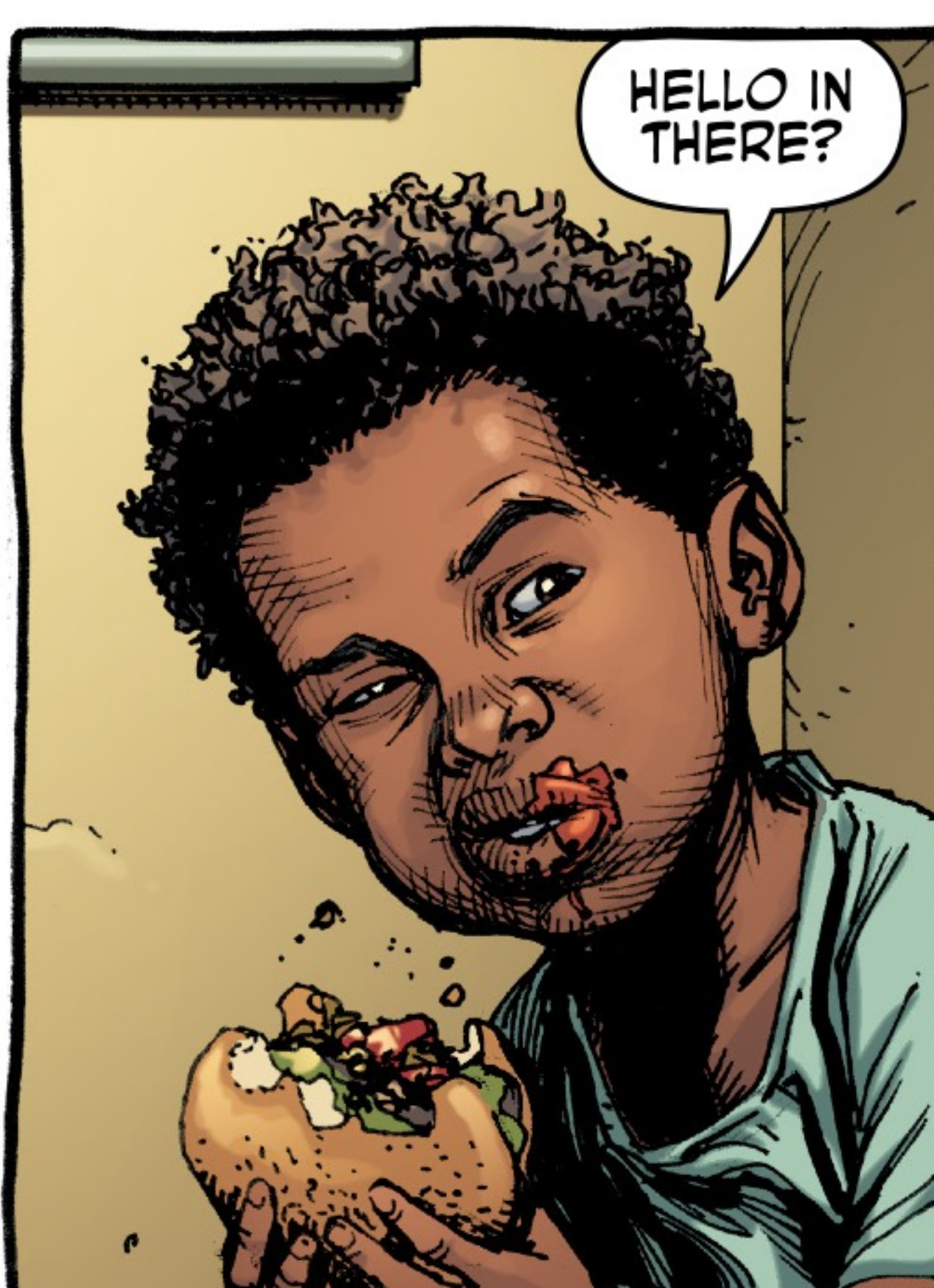
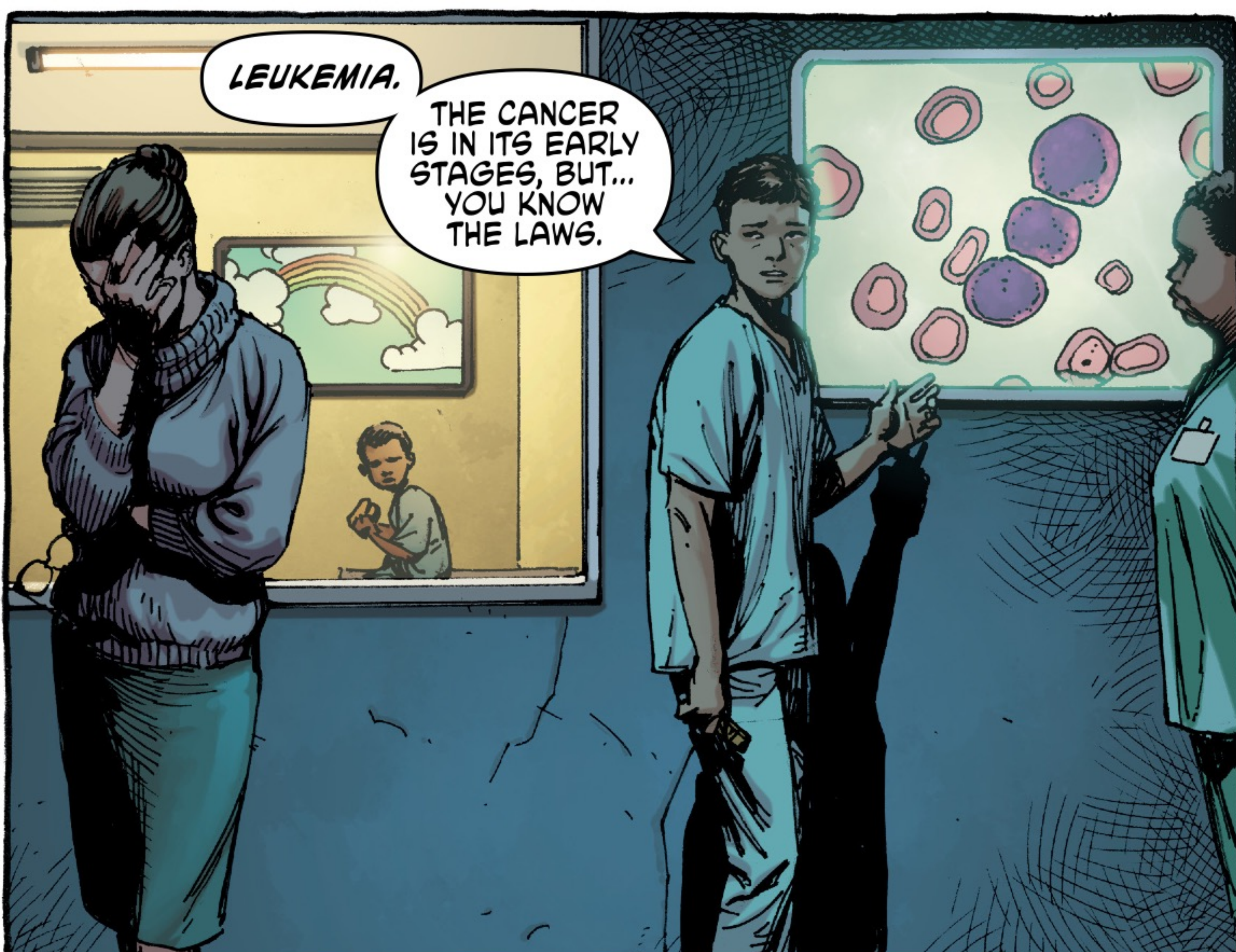


GOOD OBSERVATION.











WHERE'S HENRY?

HE'S SAFE, HAILEE, BUT HE'S SICK.

SICK?

HAS YOUR BROTHER BEEN EXPERIENCING ANY SIGNS OF FATIGUE OR DISCOMFORT?



WELL, YEAH, BUT... I THOUGHT HE WAS JUST COMPLAINING. HE NEVER WANTS TO HELP DO ANYTHING.

HE'S A LITTLE KID.



HE HAS ACUTE LYMPHOCYTIC LEUKEMIA.

WHAT? CAN YOU HELP HIM?

OH, HAILEE.

I WISH WE COULD.



BUT OUR RESOURCES AREN'T ENDLESS.

AS MUCH AS WE DO TO GENERATE FOOD AND POWER AND CLEAN WATER, WE JUST DON'T HAVE ENOUGH FOR EVERYONE.



WHAT ARE YOU SAYING? THAT WE CAN'T STAY HERE BECAUSE HE'S SICK?



YOU CAN STAY, MY DEAR, AND WE *NEED* YOU TO BECAUSE WE STILL HAVE A LOT OF QUESTIONS ABOUT WHAT YOU AND YOUR BROTHER FOUND.

BUT I'M AFRAID YOUR BROTHER CANNOT BE INTEGRATED BACK INTO AMERICA.

IF YOU KICK HIM OUT OF HERE, I'M GOING TOO.

WE WOULDN'T BE SO CRUEL AS TO LEAVE HIM TO THE NIGHTCRAWLERS, OR WORSE, THE ORGAN PEOPLE. WE'RE NOT *MONSTERS*, HAILEE.



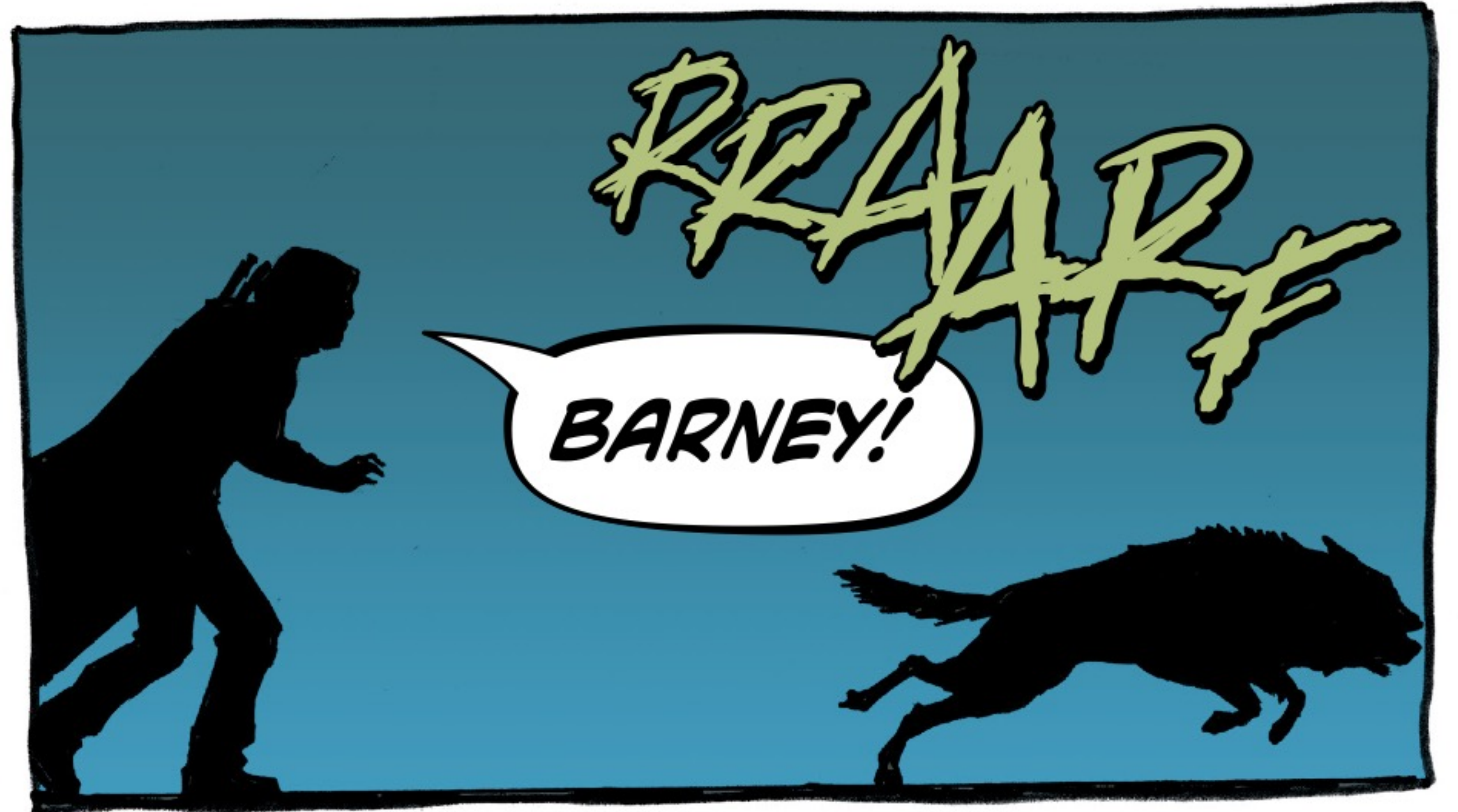
WE HAVE A COMPASSIONATE LIFE-ENDING PROGRAM HERE.

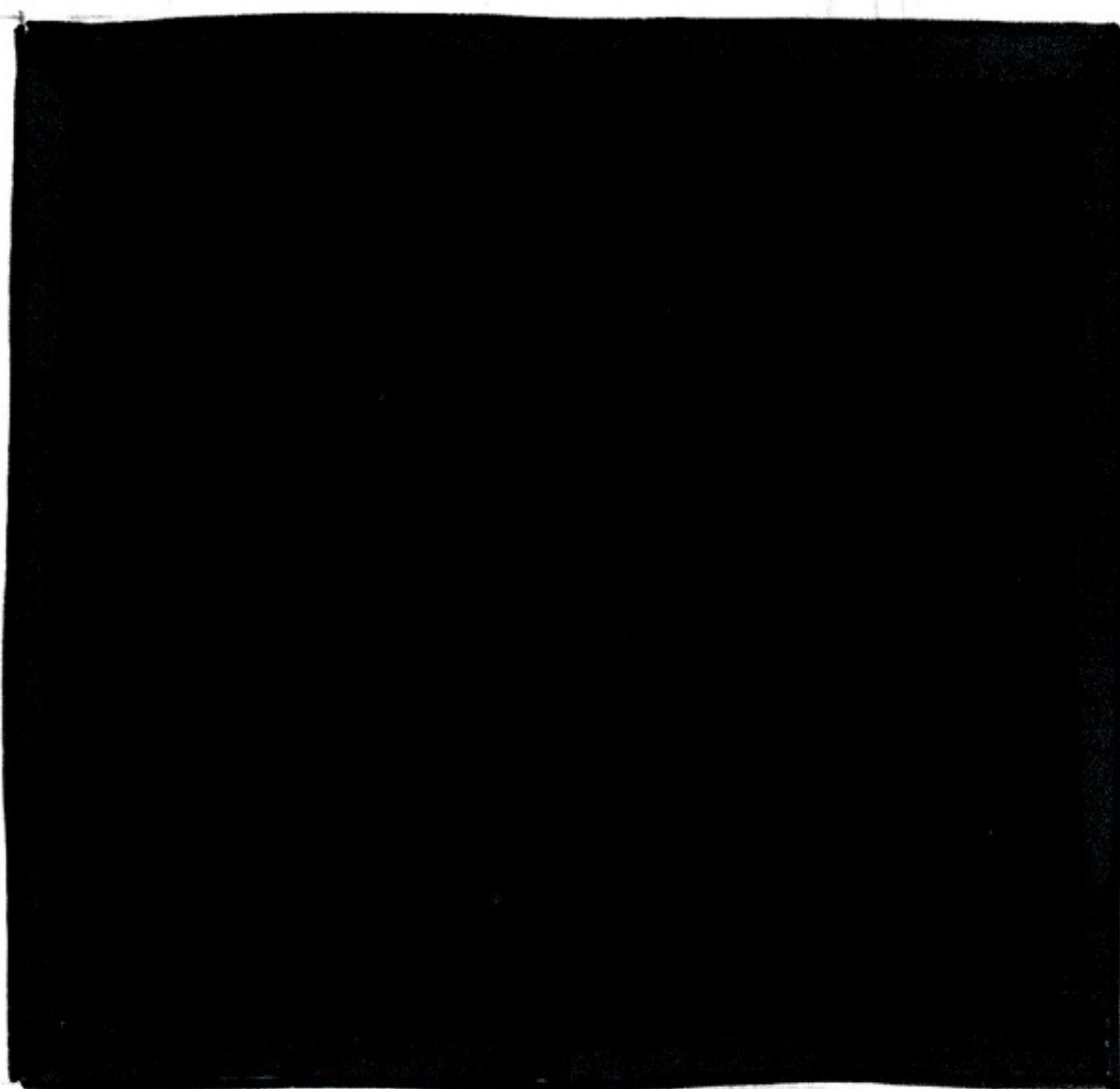
HE WILL HAVE A PEACEFUL PASSING, I ASSURE YOU.



NO!

HENRY?!





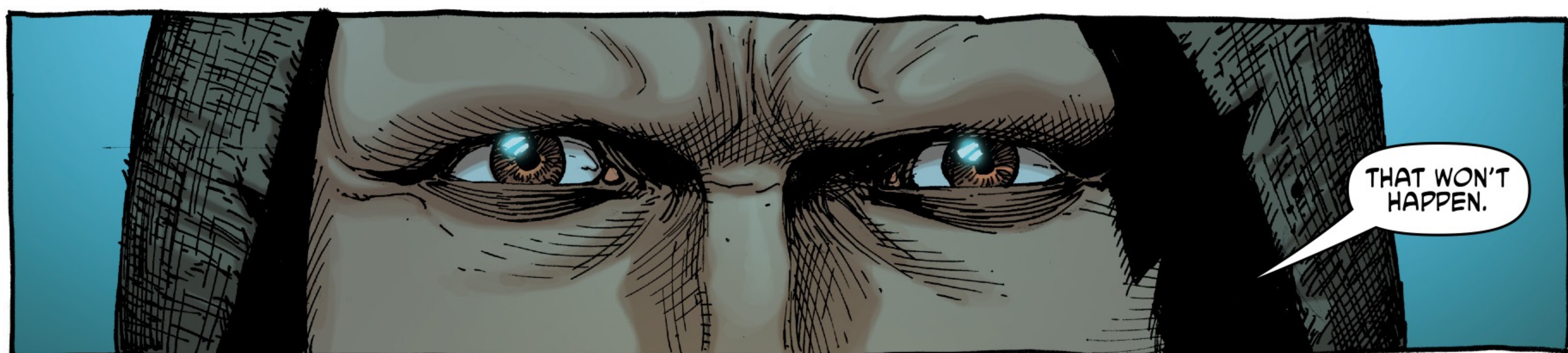


WHERE'S HENRY?

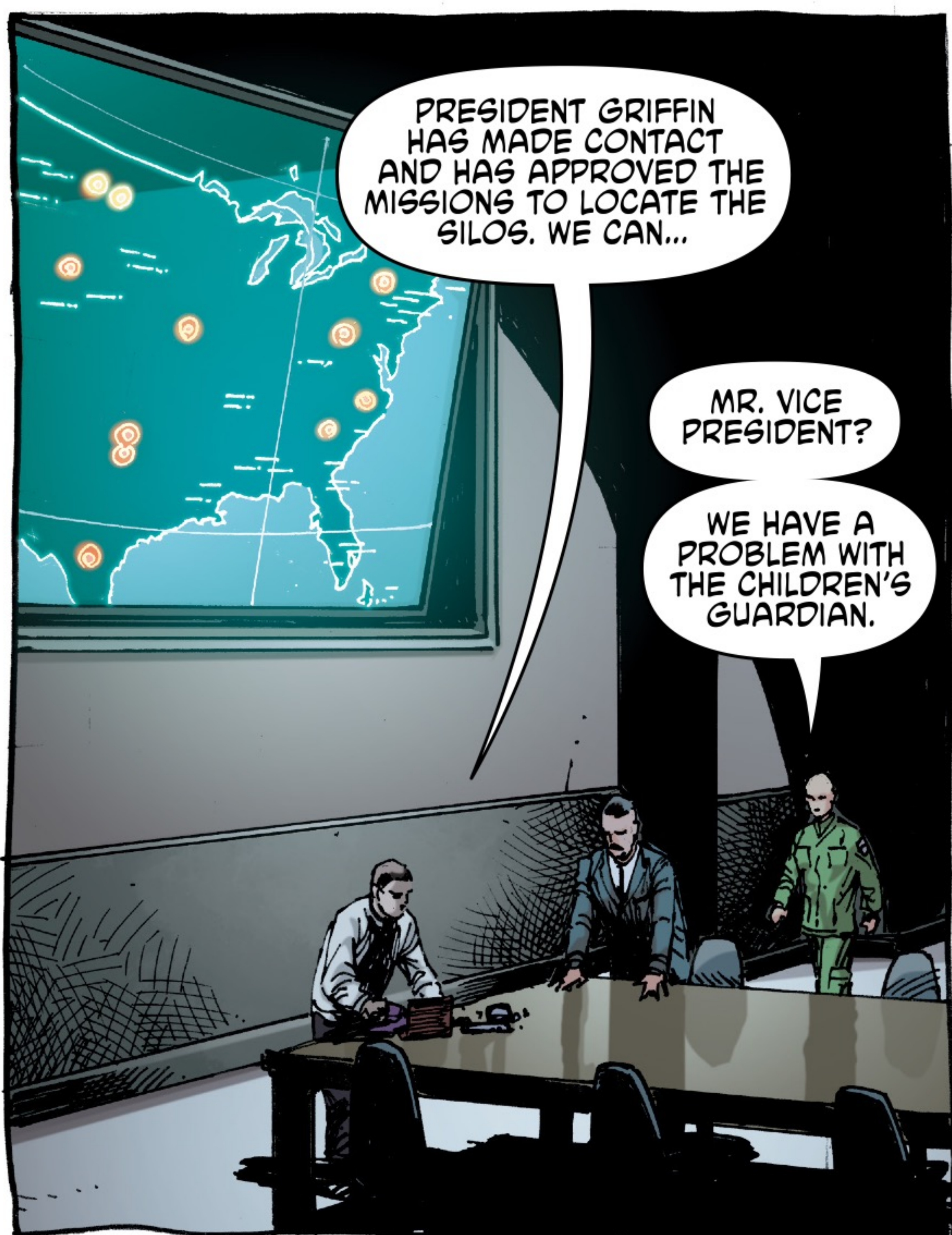
THEY SAID HE WAS SICK!

WHAT?

THEY SAID THEY WERE GOING TO KILL HIM!



THAT WON'T HAPPEN.



PRESIDENT GRIFFIN HAS MADE CONTACT AND HAS APPROVED THE MISSIONS TO LOCATE THE SILOS. WE CAN...

MR. VICE PRESIDENT?

WE HAVE A PROBLEM WITH THE CHILDREN'S GUARDIAN.



WE DON'T TOLERATE VIOLENCE HERE.

IT'S BEEN A WHILE, BUT SEND OUR BEST SOLDIER TO TAKE CARE OF THIS...

"...BRING
THE *ROBOT*
ONLINE."

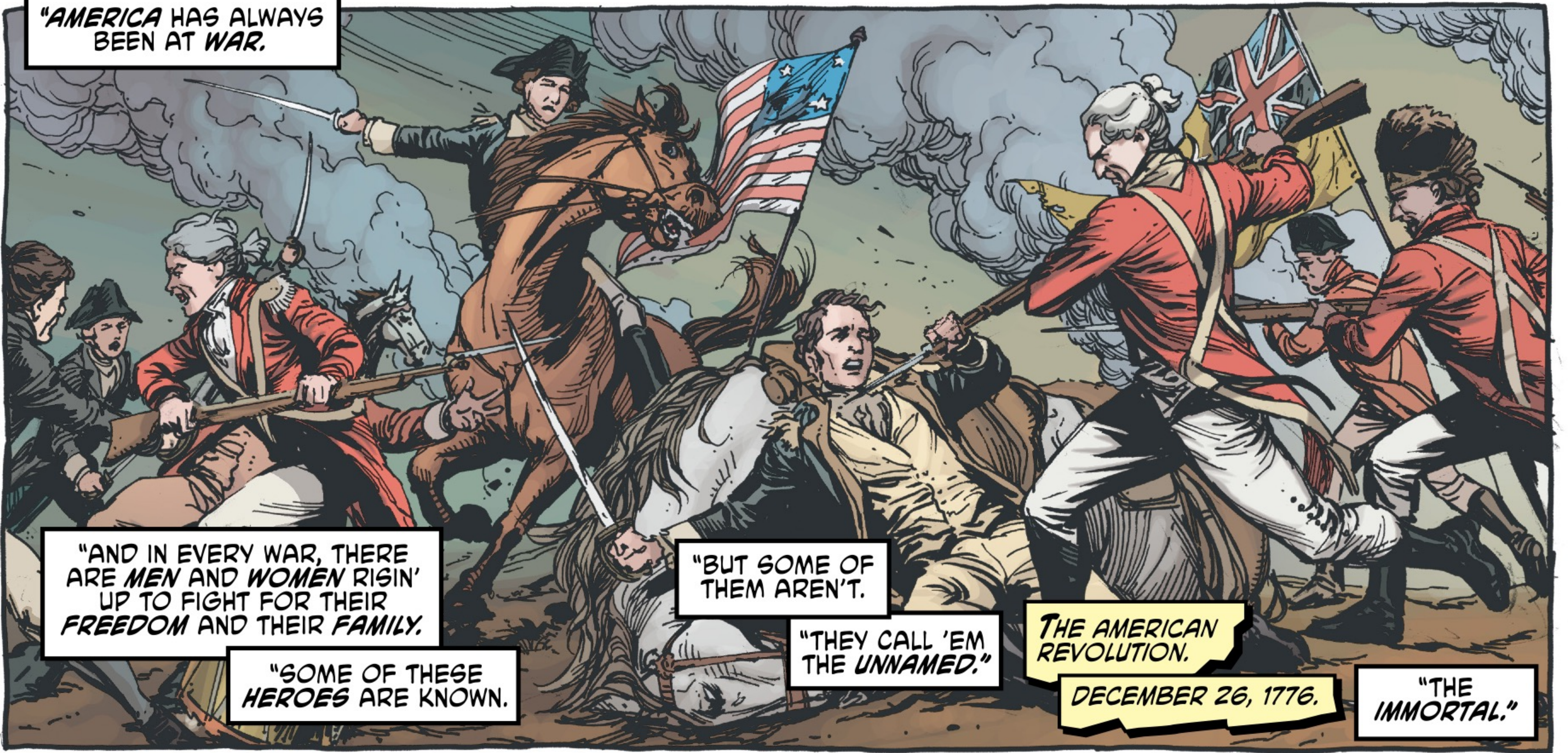




CHAPTER SIX



"AMERICA HAS ALWAYS BEEN AT WAR."



"AND IN EVERY WAR, THERE ARE MEN AND WOMEN RISIN' UP TO FIGHT FOR THEIR FREEDOM AND THEIR FAMILY."

"BUT SOME OF THEM AREN'T."

"SOME OF THESE HEROES ARE KNOWN."

"THEY CALL 'EM THE UNNAMED."

THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION.

DECEMBER 26, 1776.

"THE IMMORTAL."

THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR.

OCTOBER 29, 1862.

"THE HISTORIAN."



WORLD WAR II.

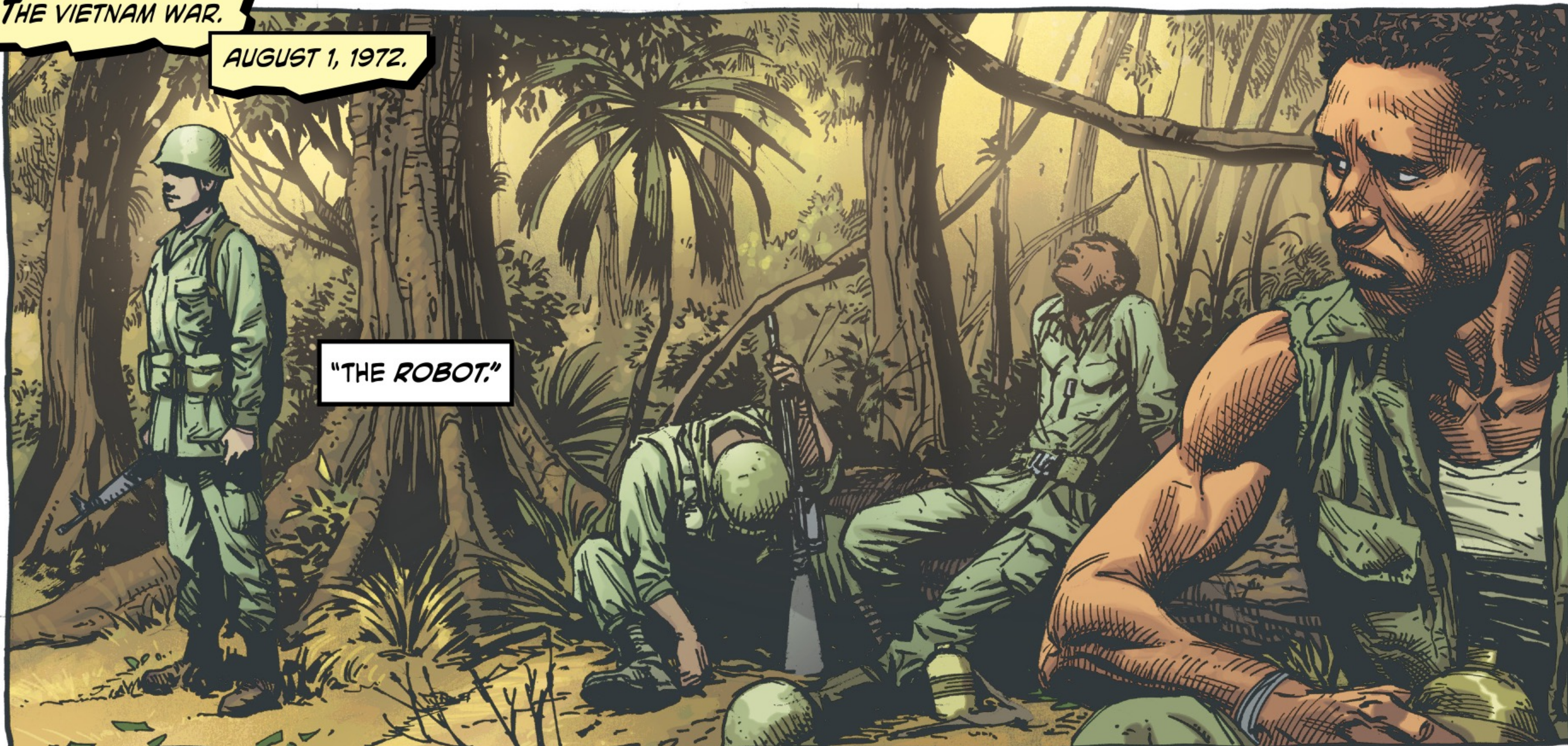
JUNE 6, 1944.

"THE MONSTER."



THE VIETNAM WAR.

AUGUST 1, 1972.



"THE ROBOT."

THE UNSEEN WAR.

JANUARY 20, 2025.



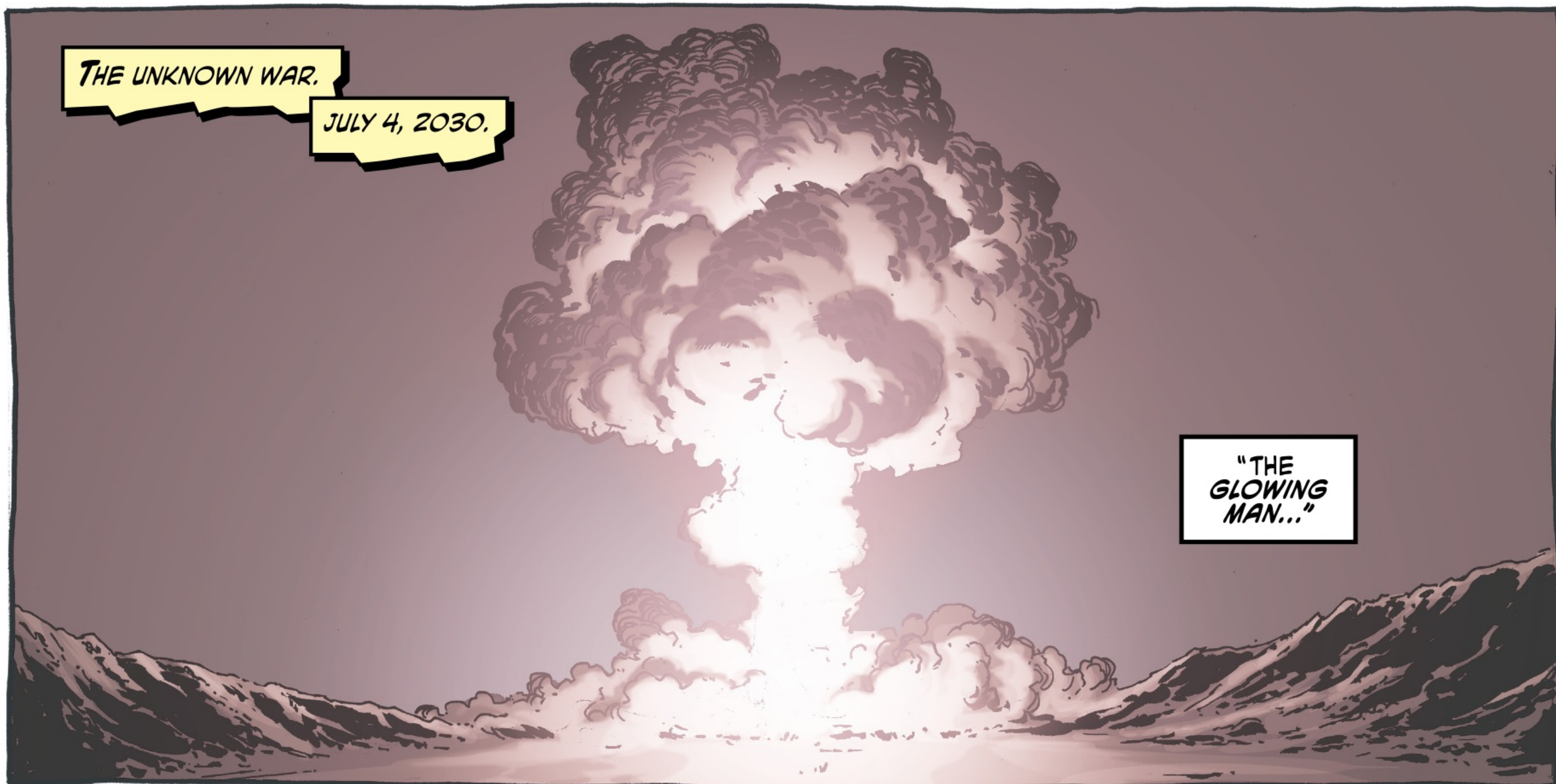
"THE GHOST."

AND BACK TO THE
END, WHICH IS OUR
BEGINNING...



THE UNKNOWN WAR.

JULY 4, 2030.



"THE
GLOWING
MAN..."

"TO REMIND YA, THE YEAR WAS 2050, THE THIRTEENTH OF JUNE, TO BE EXACT.

"NEARLY *TWENTY YEARS* TO THE DAY AFTER THE *BOMB* FOREVER CHANGED *TARIQ GEIGER* INTO THE *RADIOACTIVE CREATURE* HE BECAME.

"THE KING OF VEGAS HAD DISCOVERED A *MAP* LEADING HIM TO HIS *GRAIL*.

NORAD.

"HE ENVISIONED HIS *SWORD* SLICING THE *GLOWING MAN* OPEN, WATCHIN' HIS *FLICKERING INSIDES* SPILLIN' OUT.

HAHA
HAHA.

"BACK IN HIS CASINO, THE *MURAL* WAS ALREADY NEARLY COMPLETE.

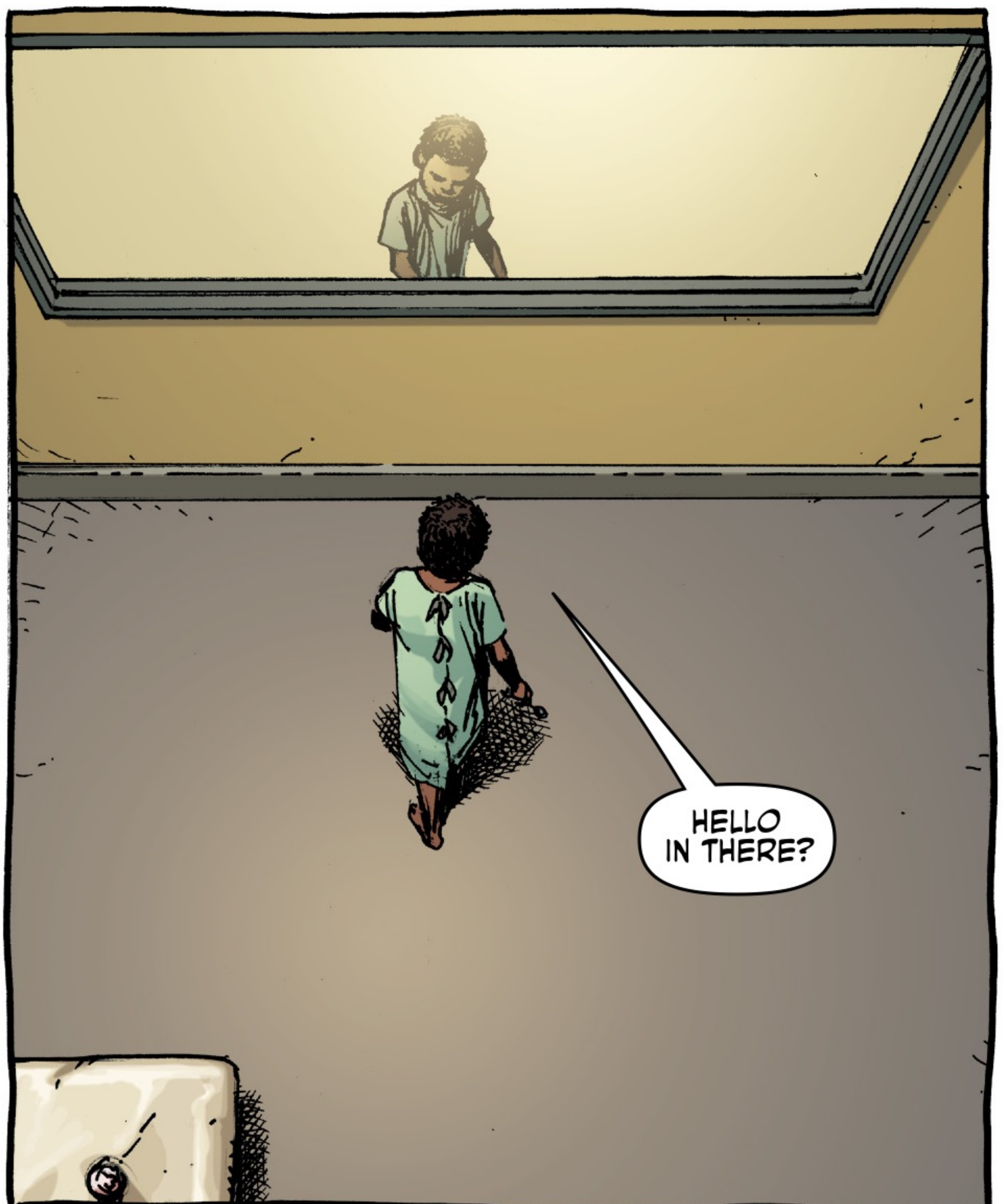
"HE WAS *SURE* OF IT. TODAY, HE WOULD FINALLY SURPASS HIS FATHER AND BE RECOGNIZED BY *ALL AS...*"

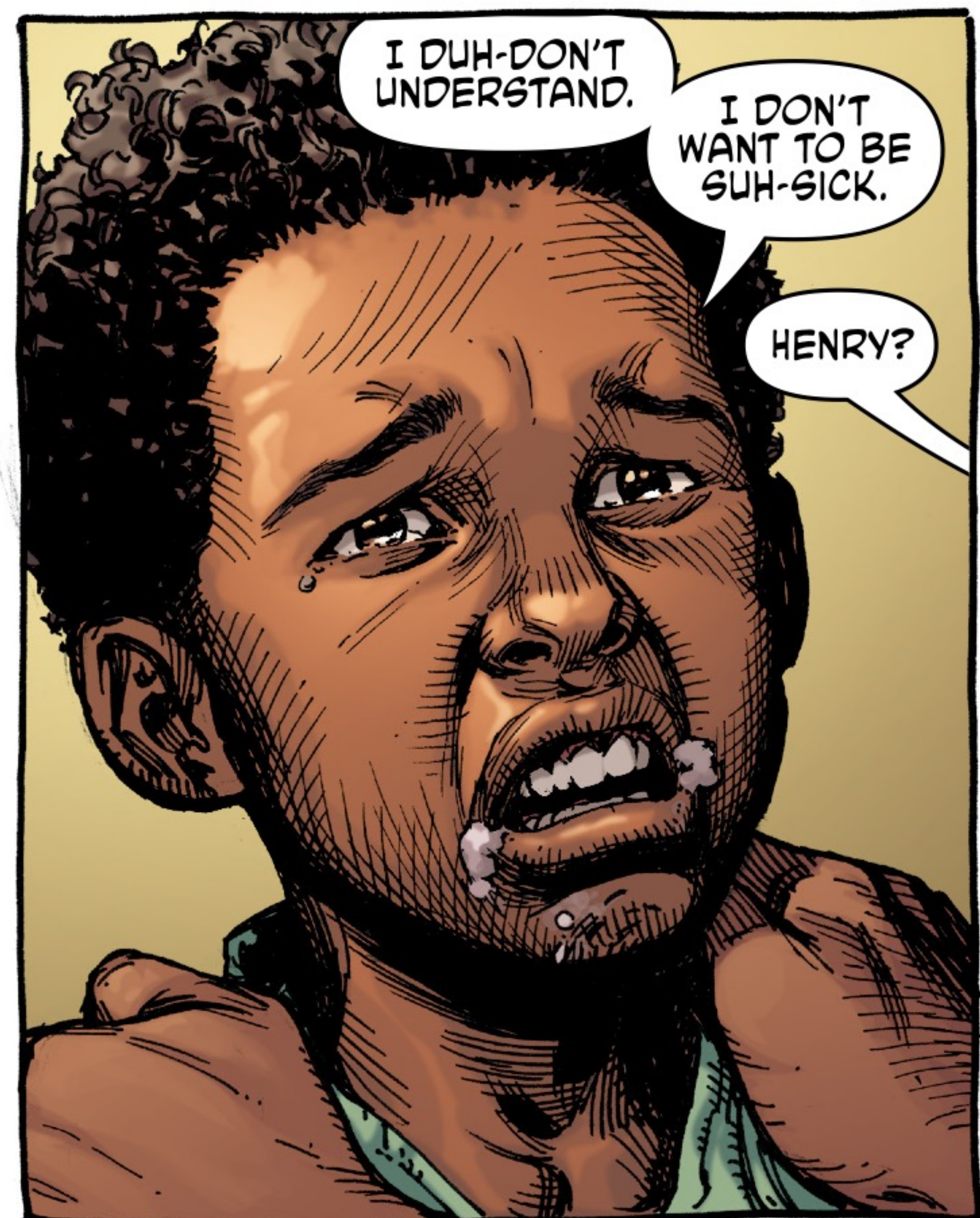
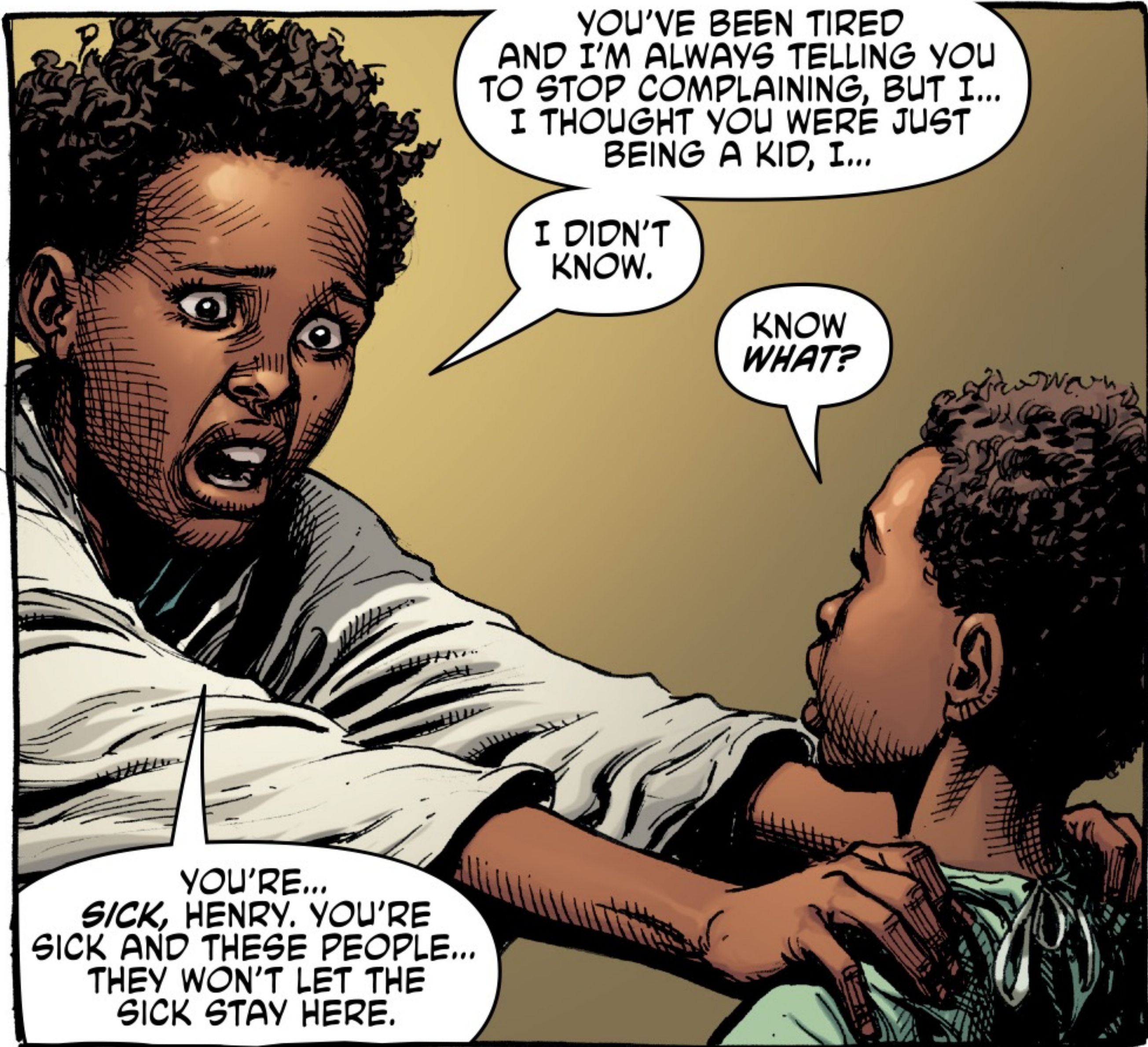
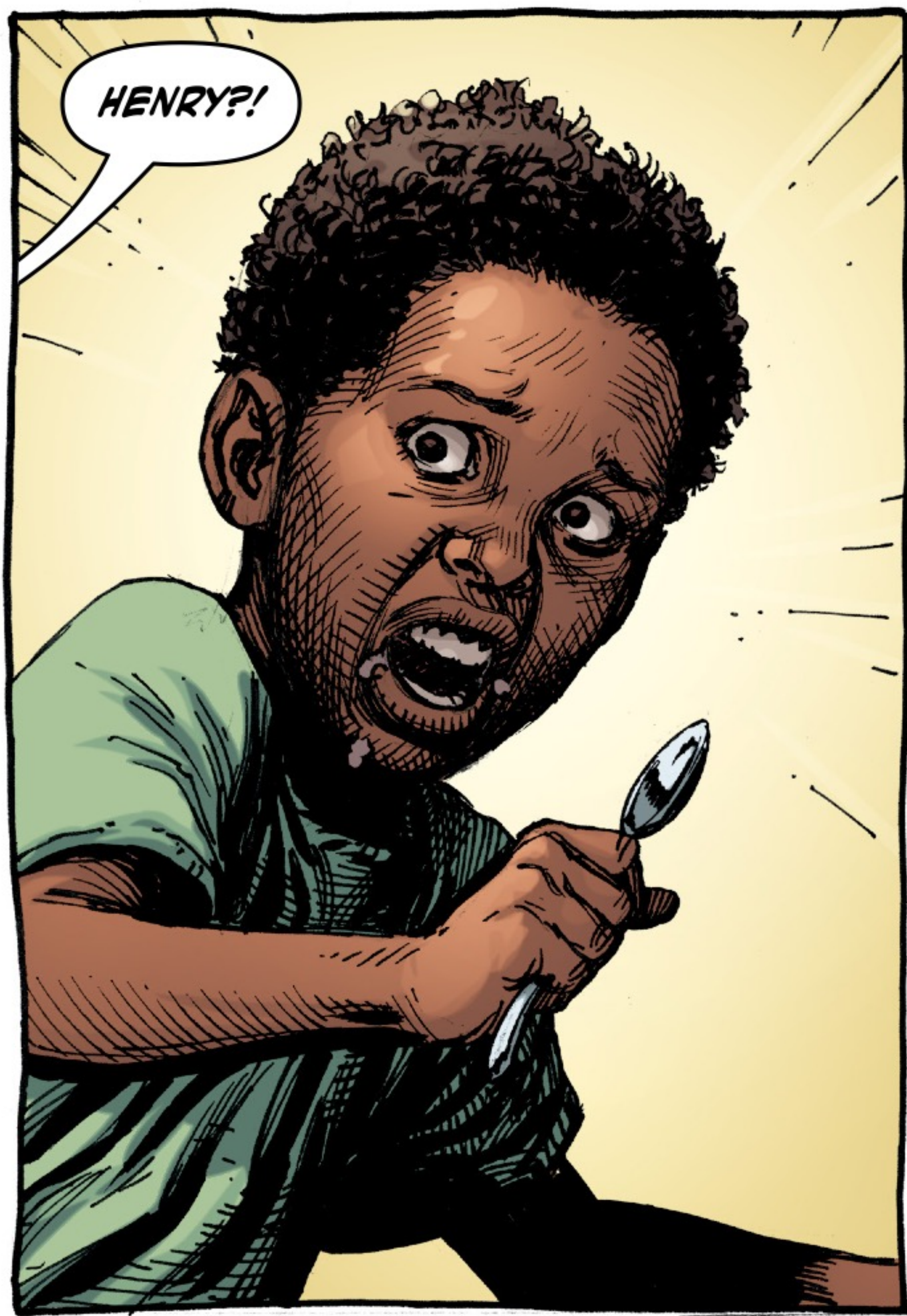
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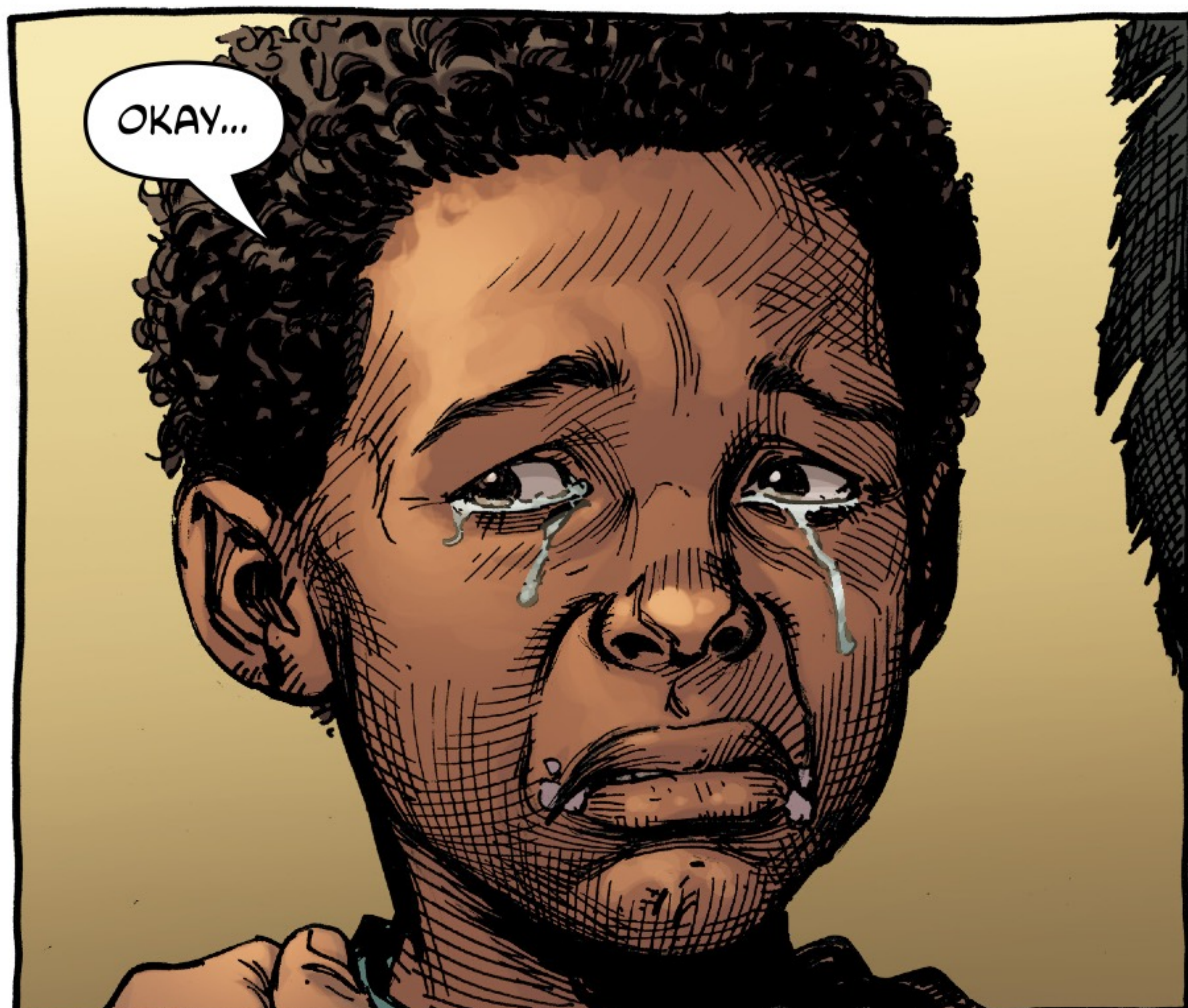
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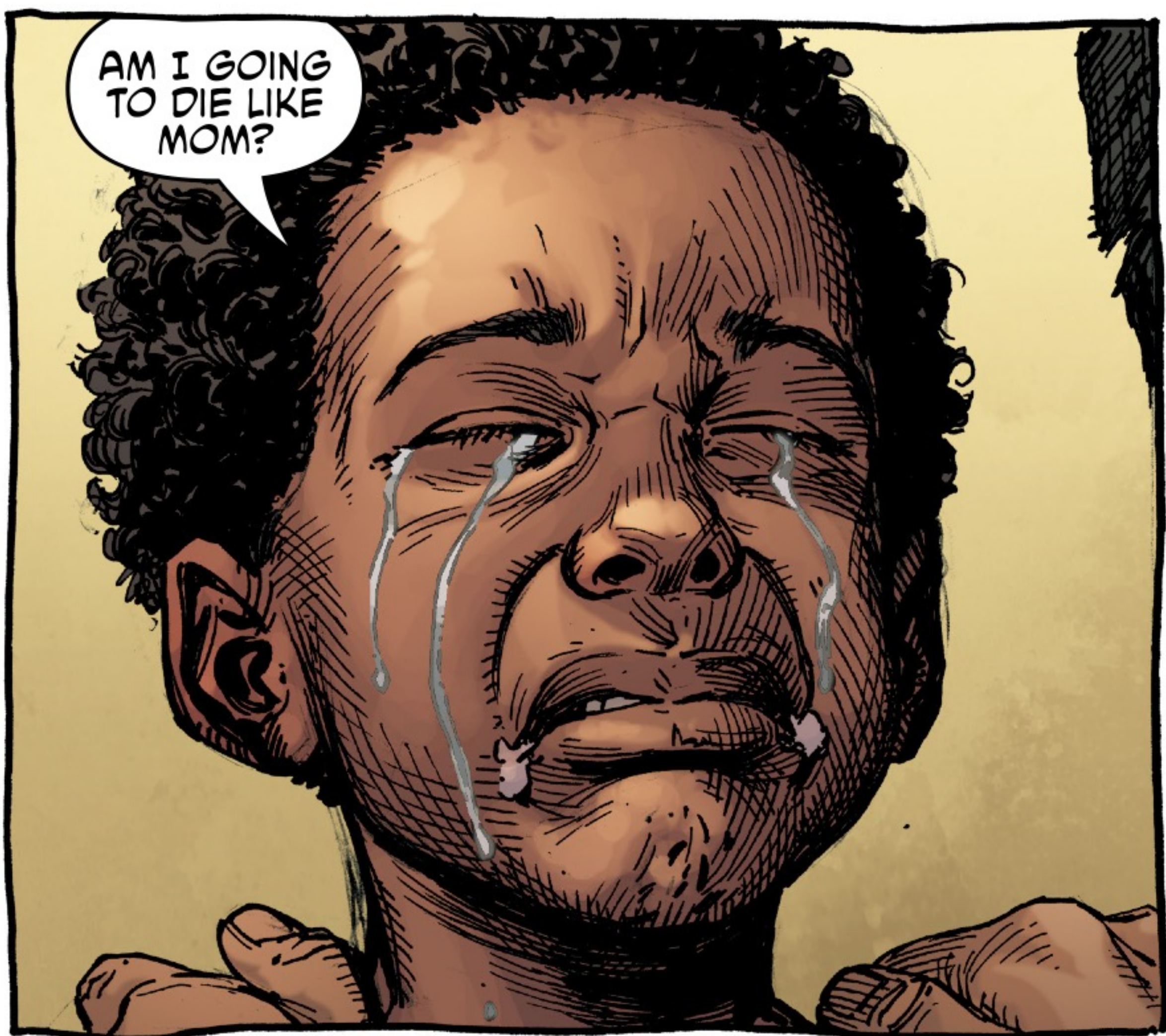
NORAD.

"THIS IS *DELICIOUS*."

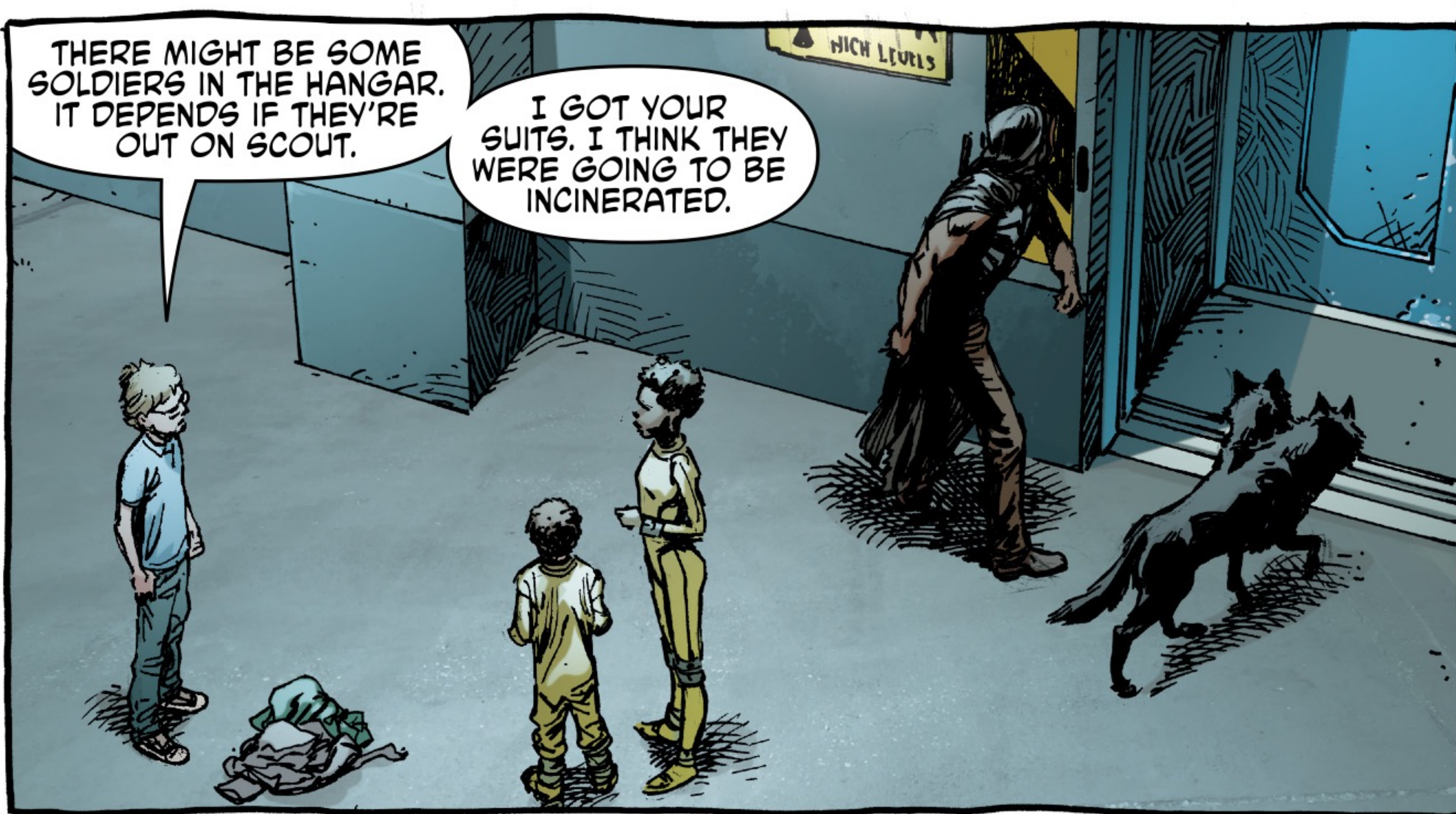




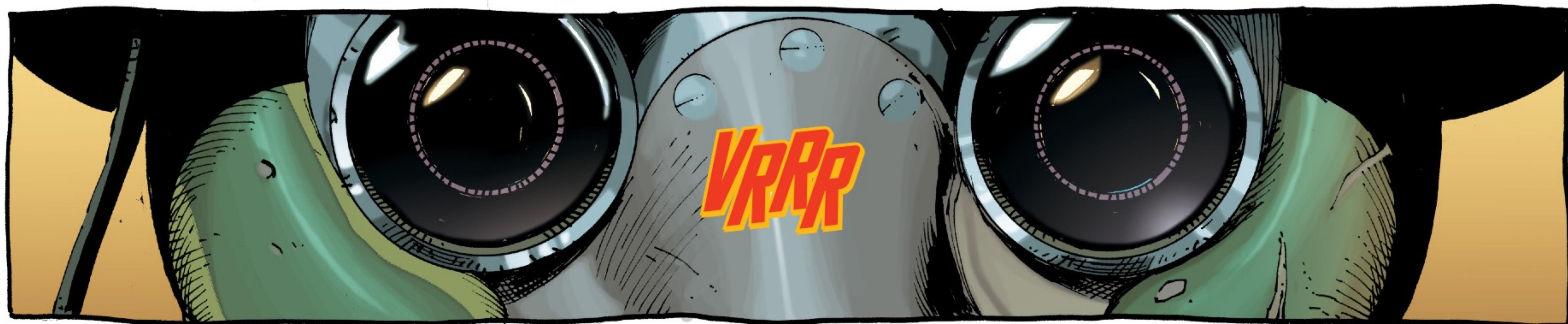


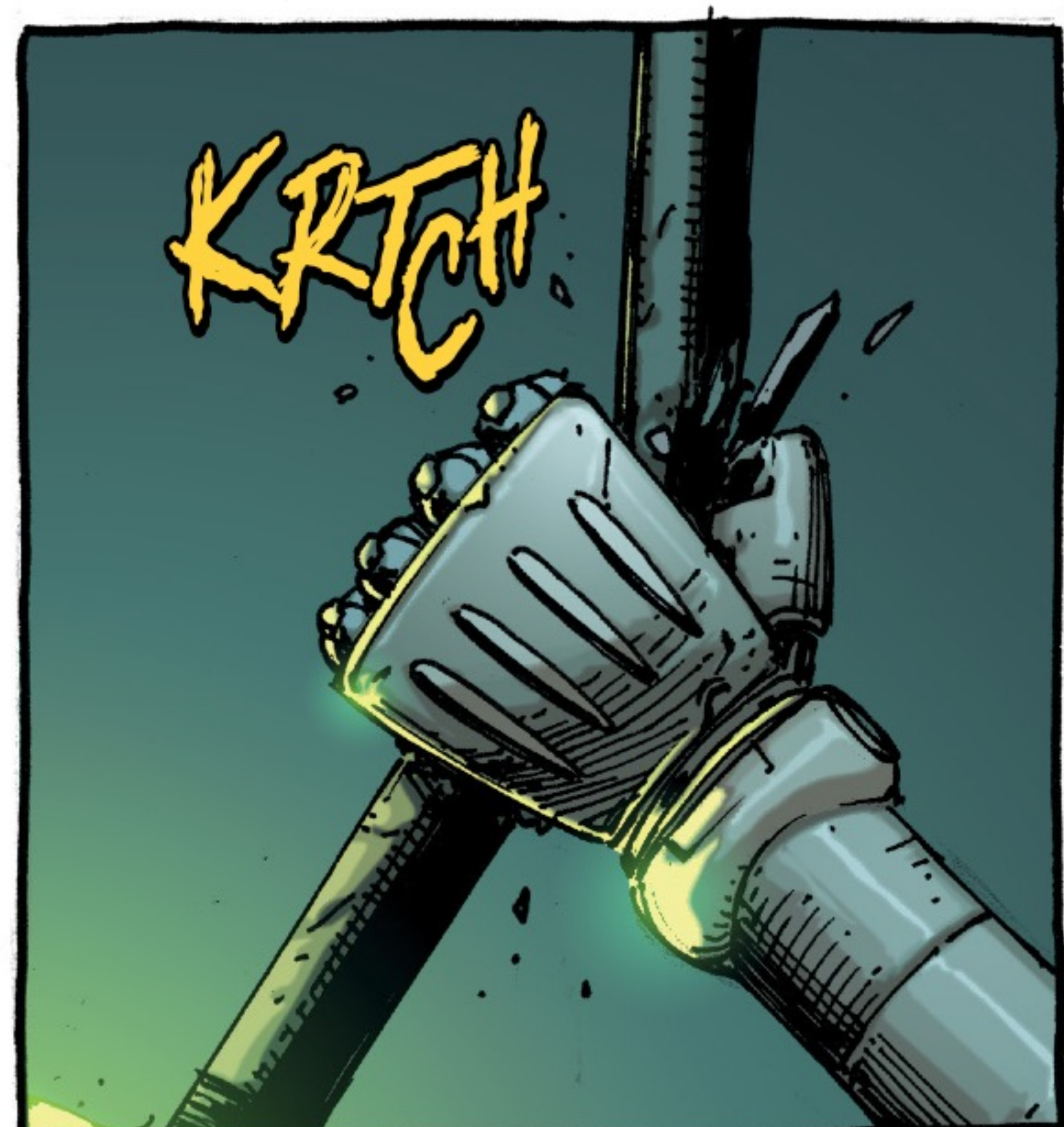


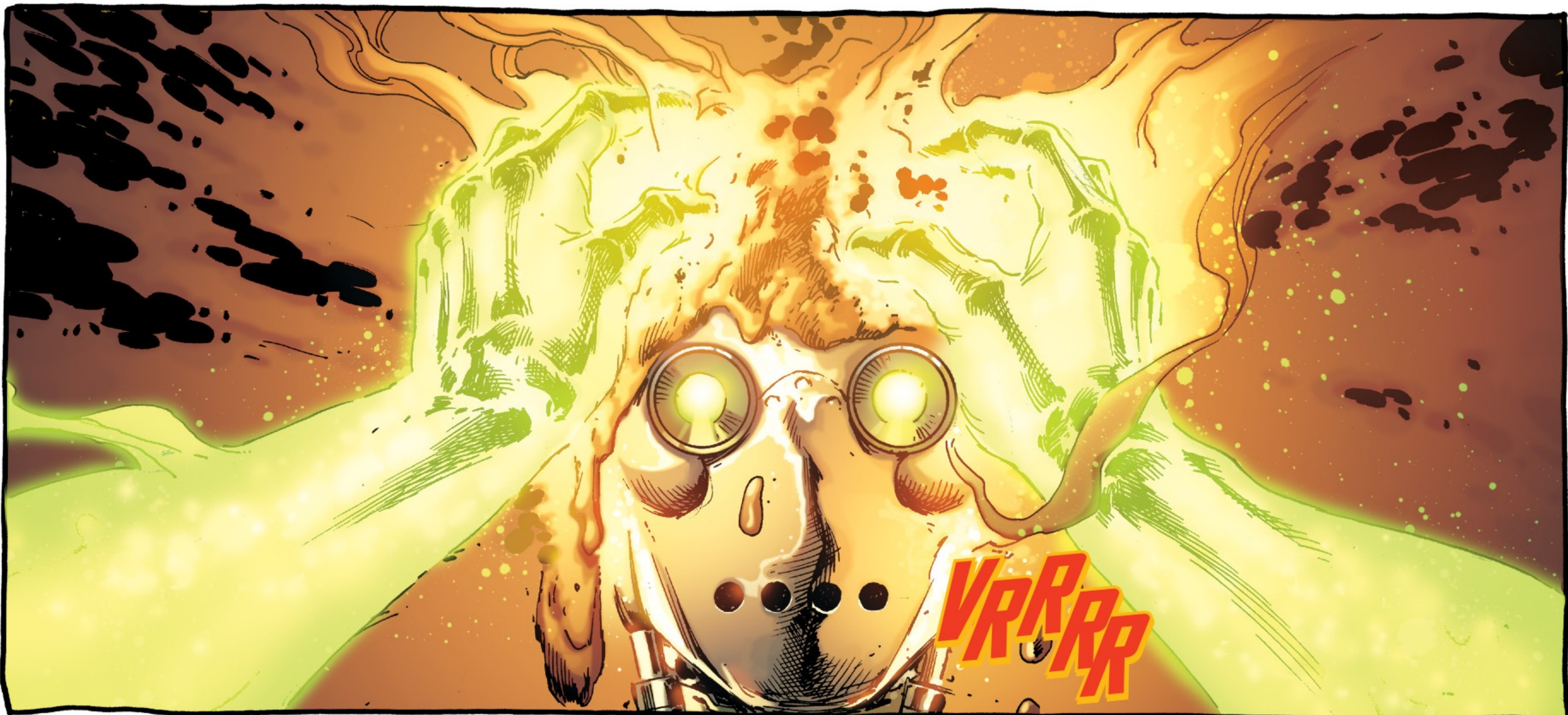


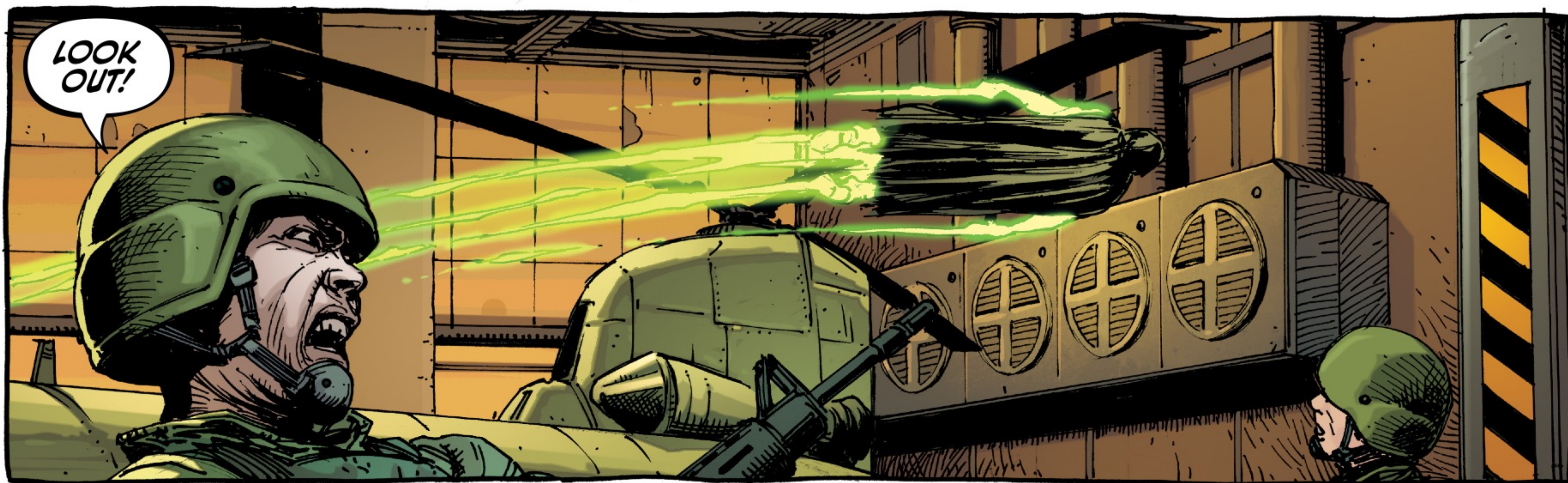
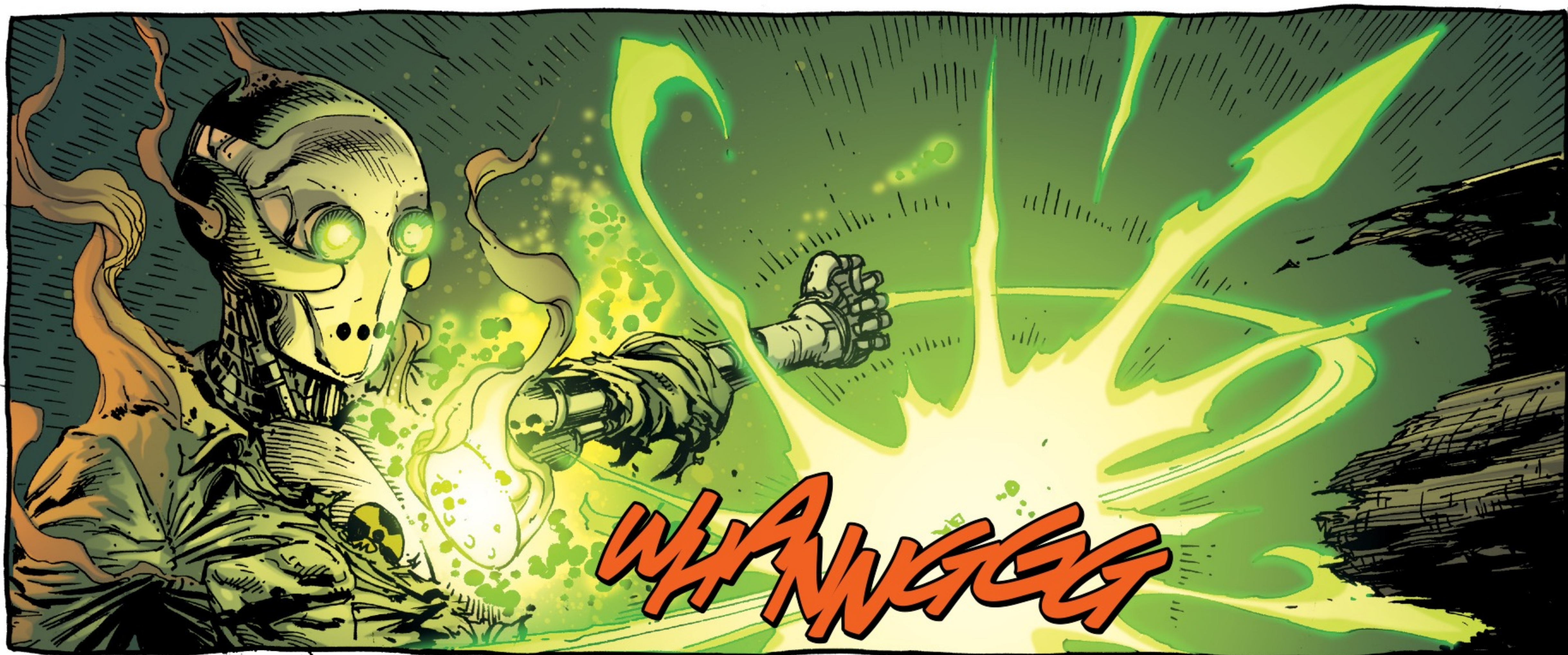


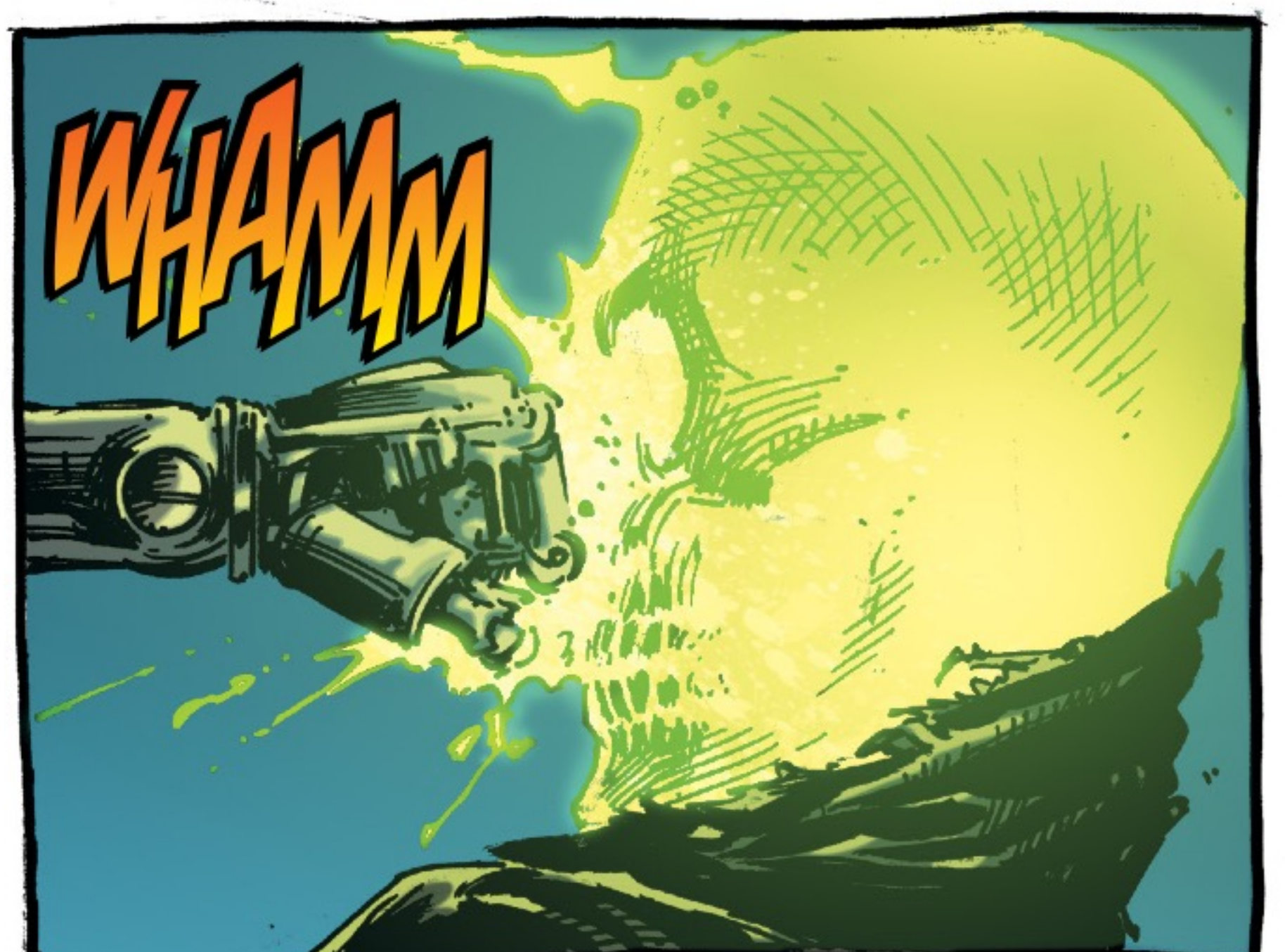
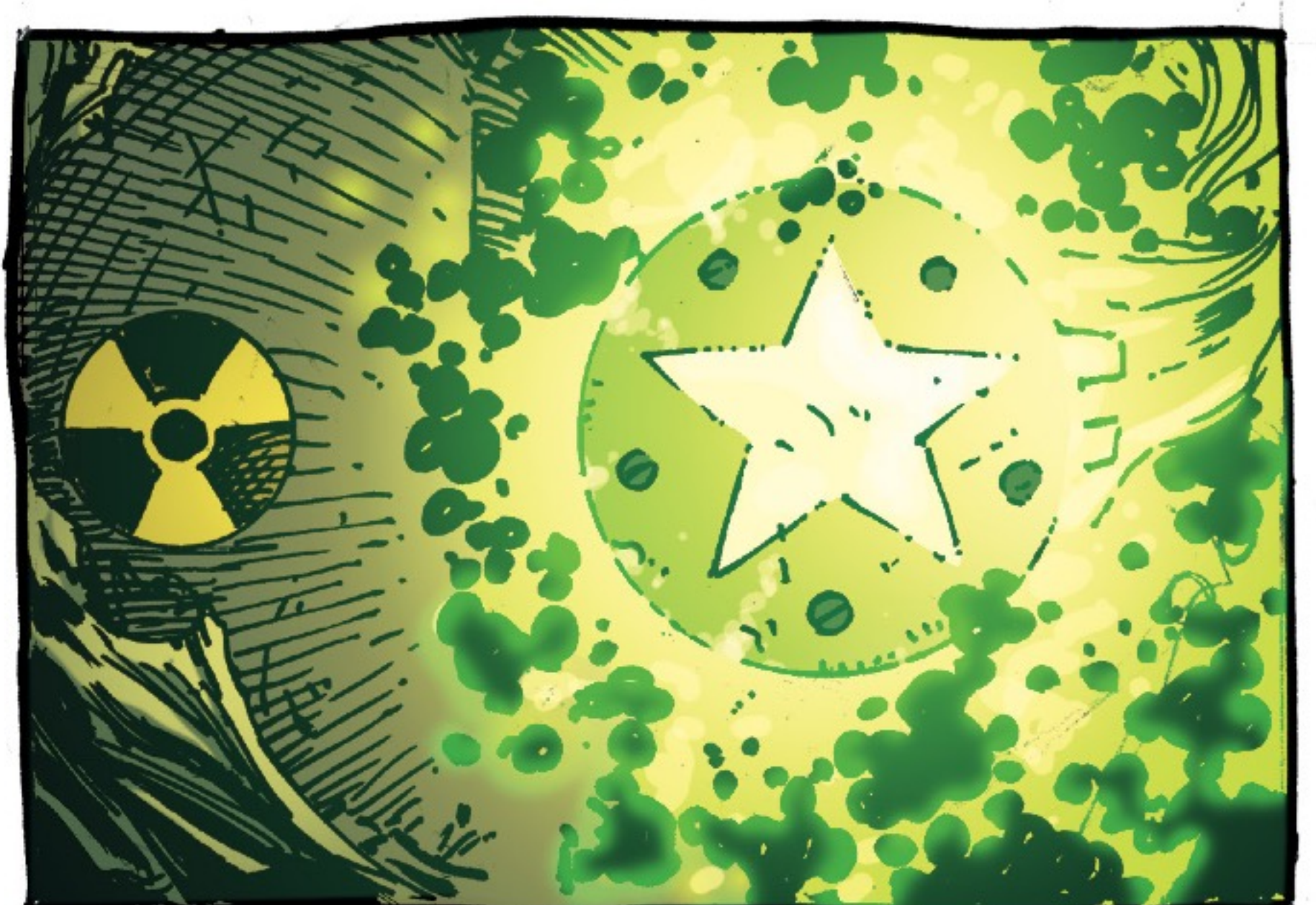


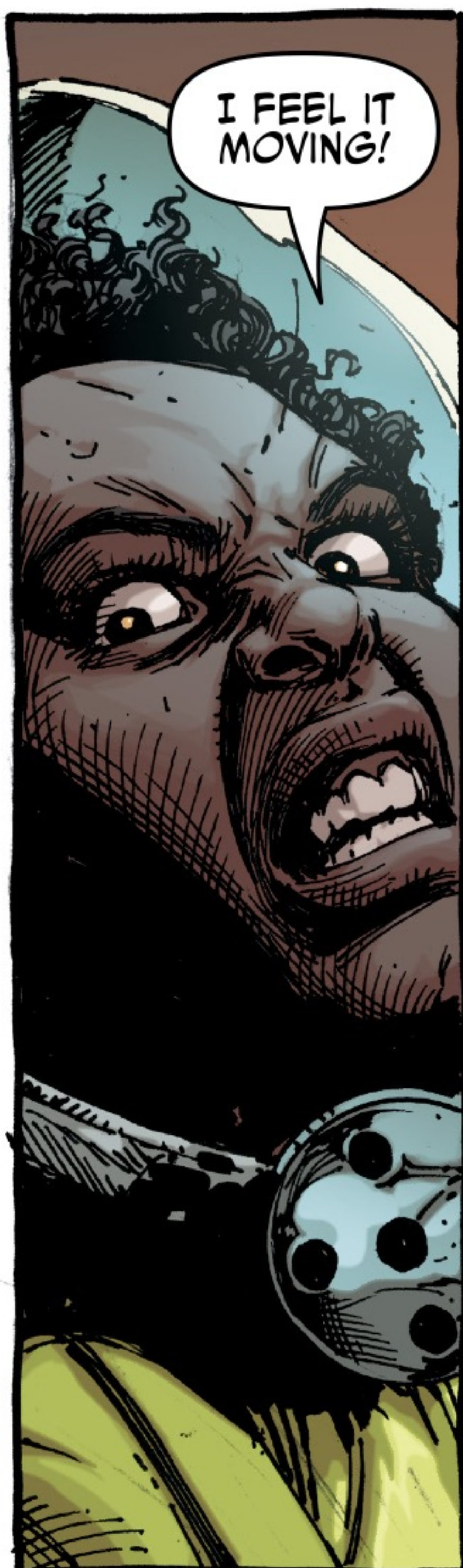
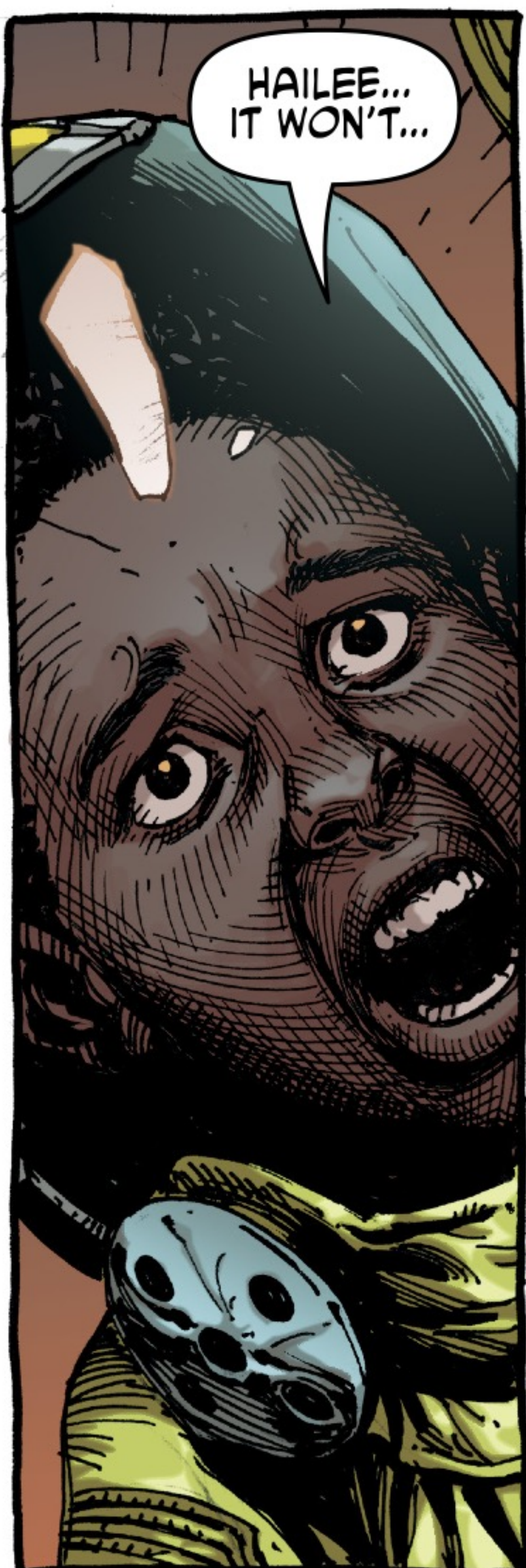


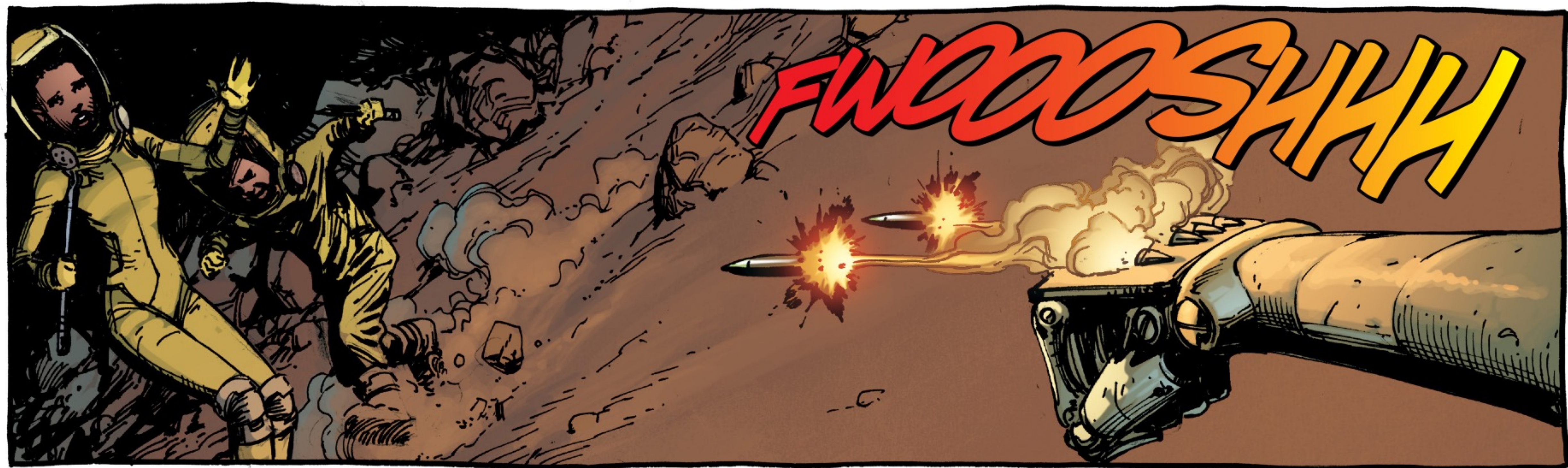
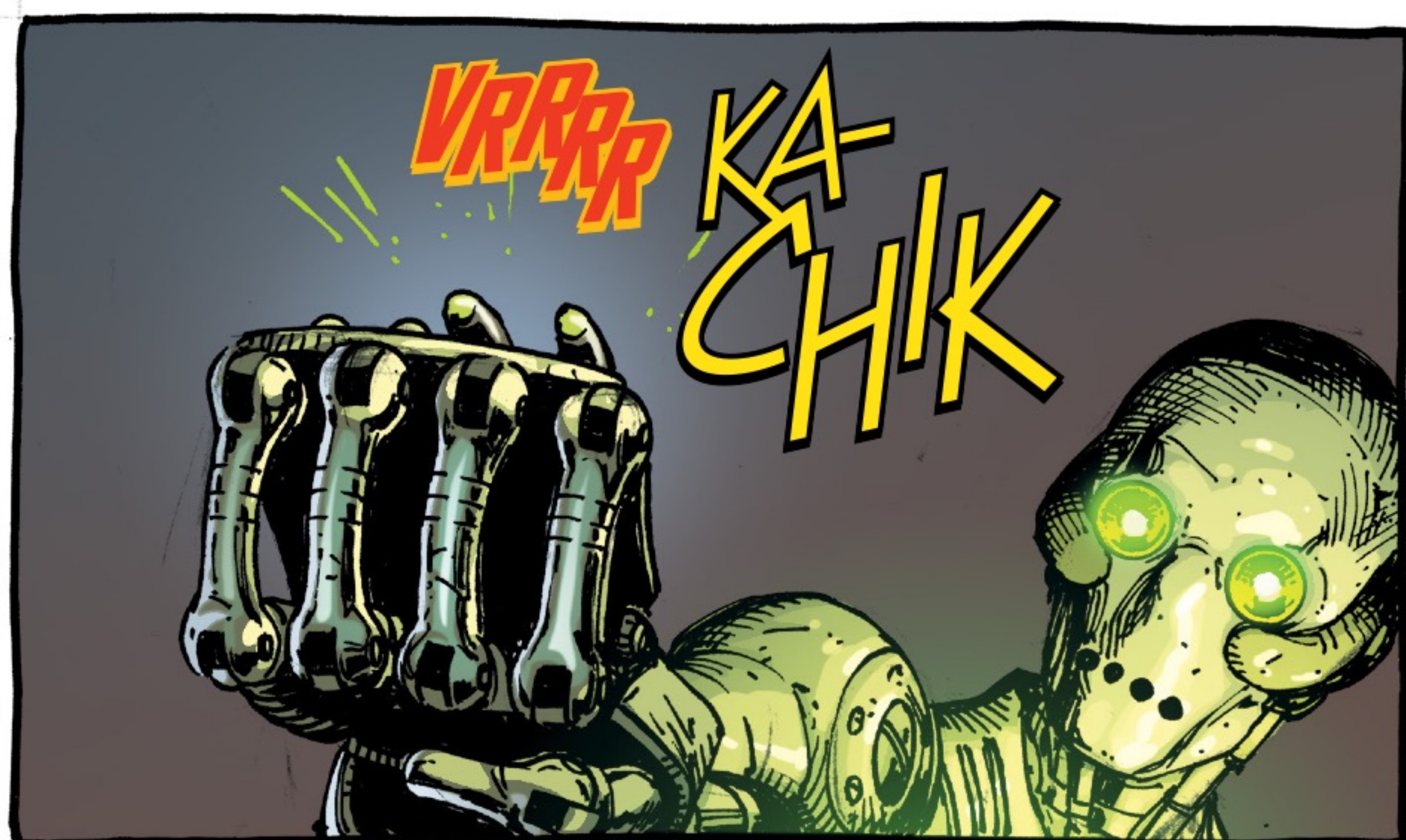


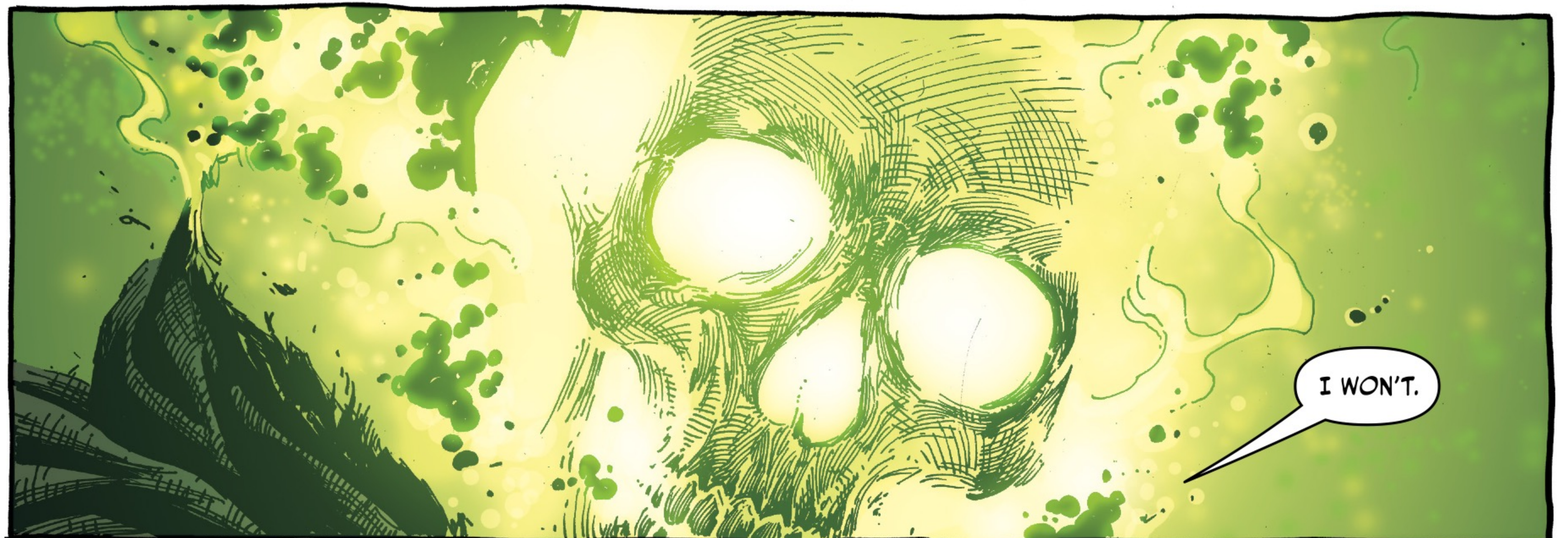
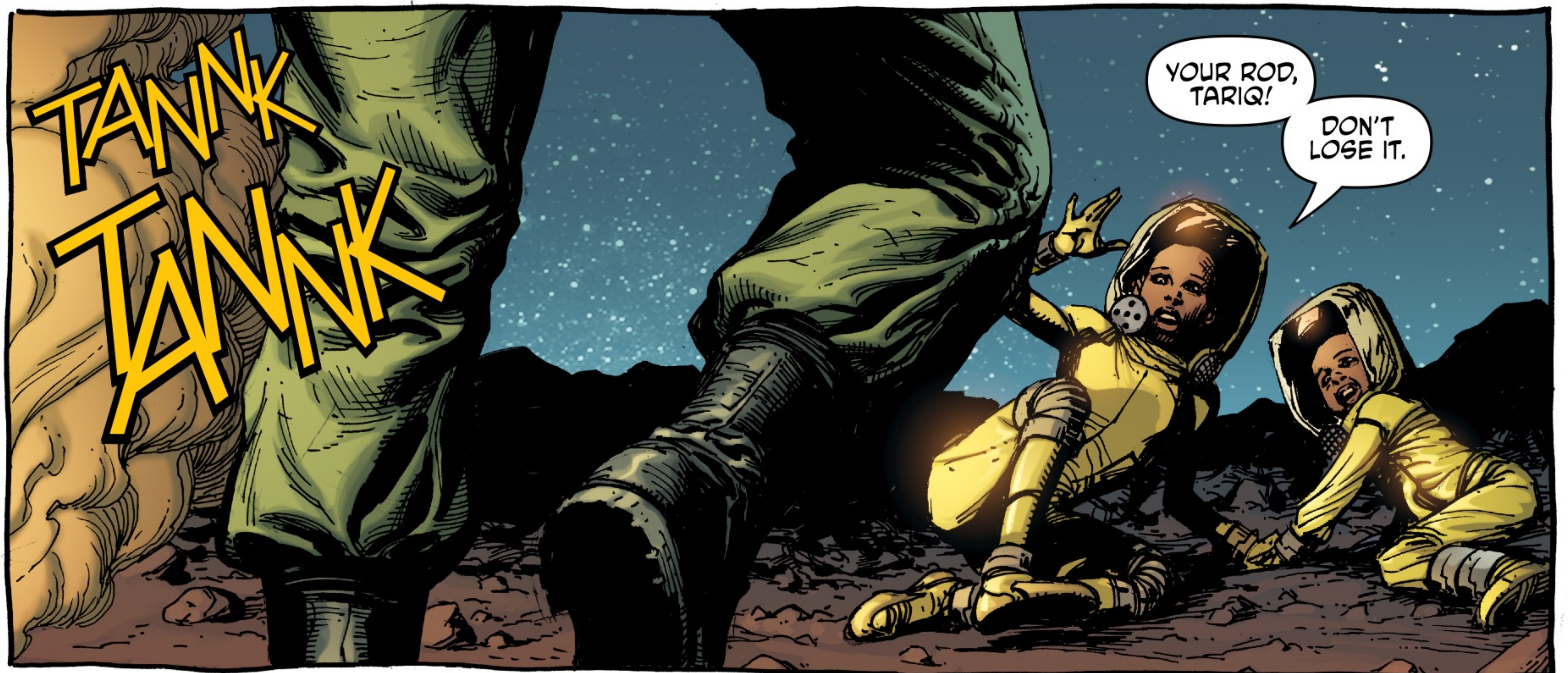
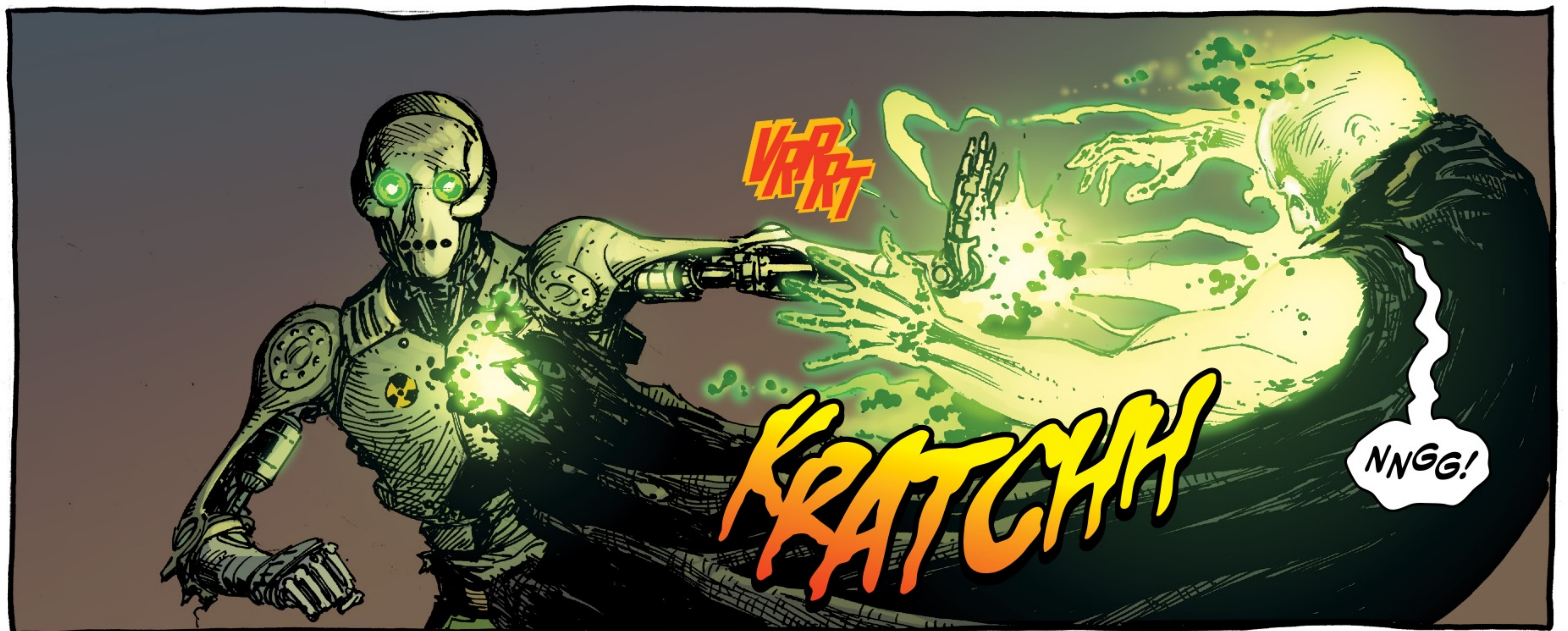
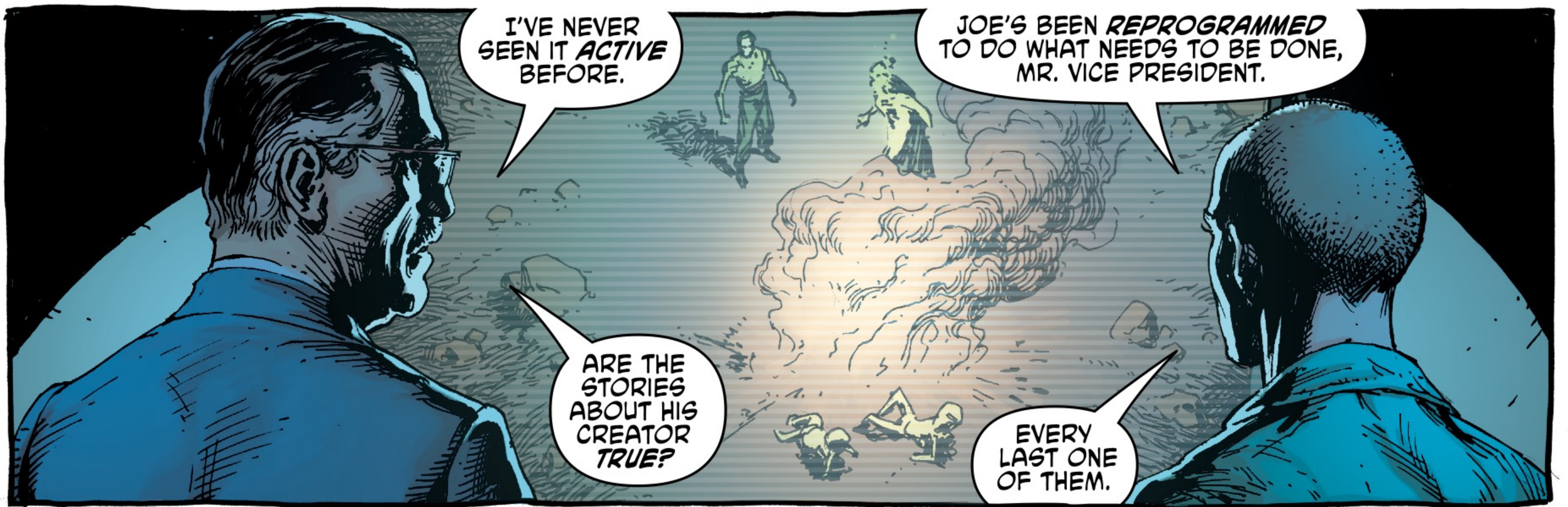


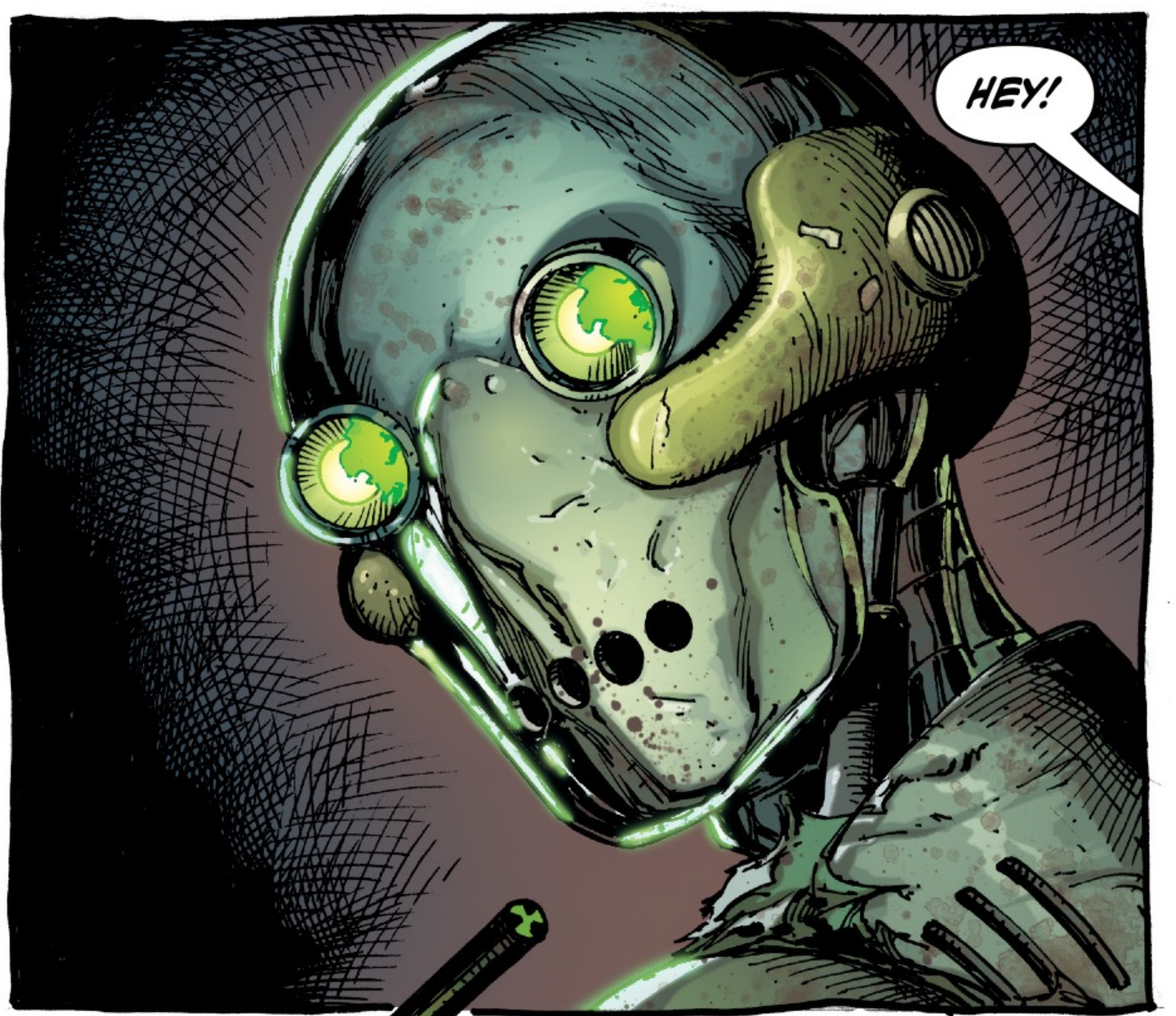
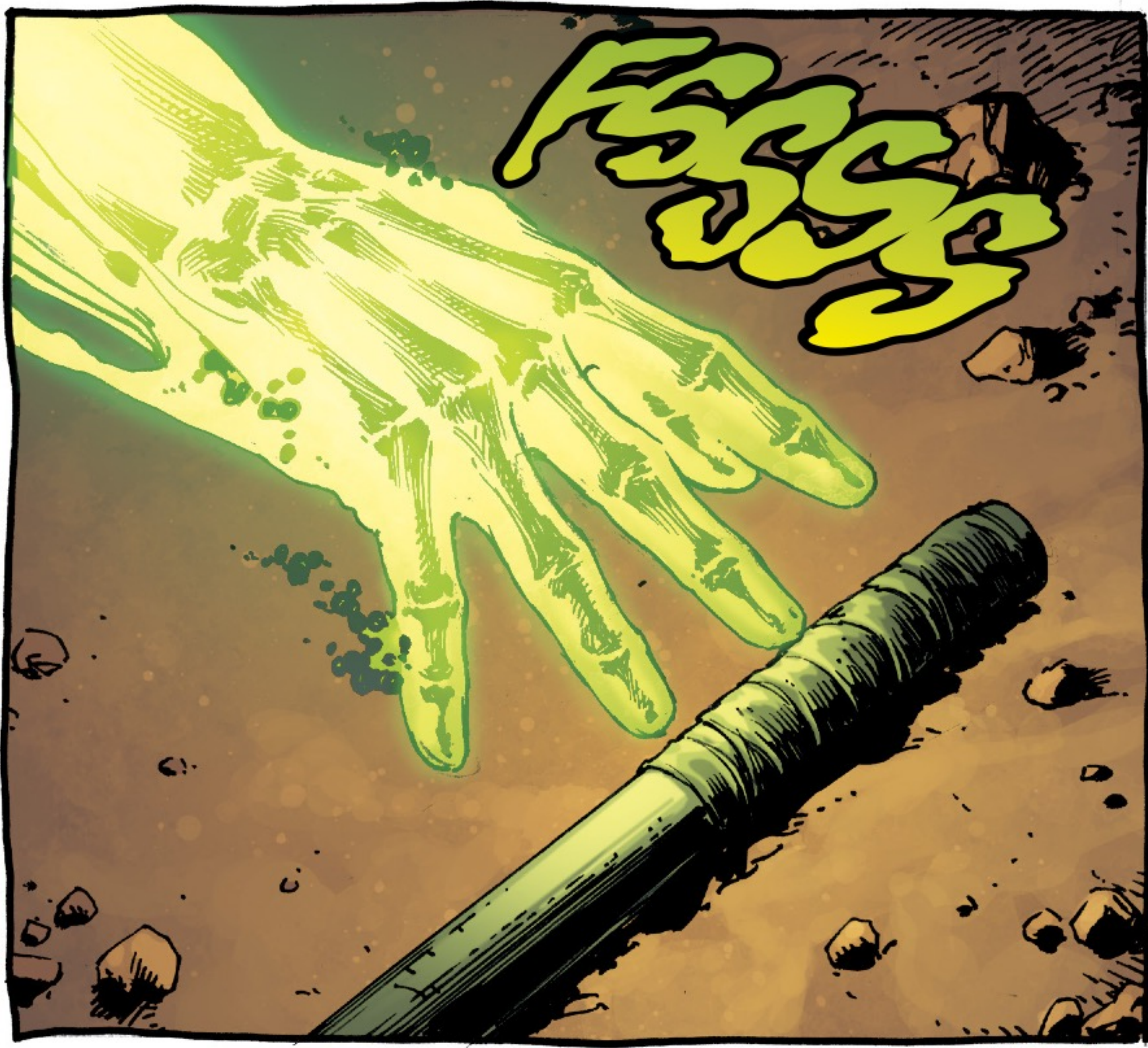


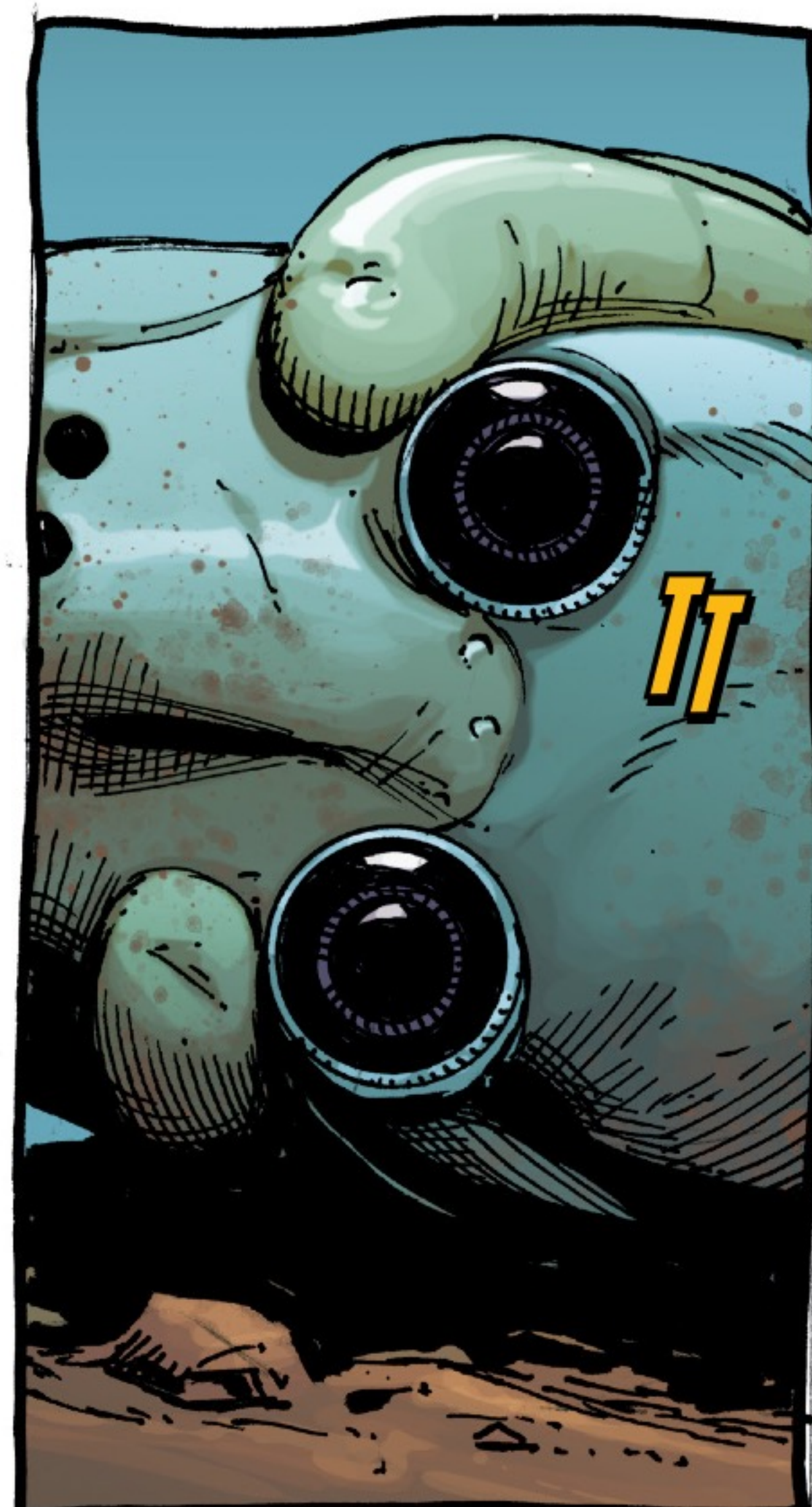
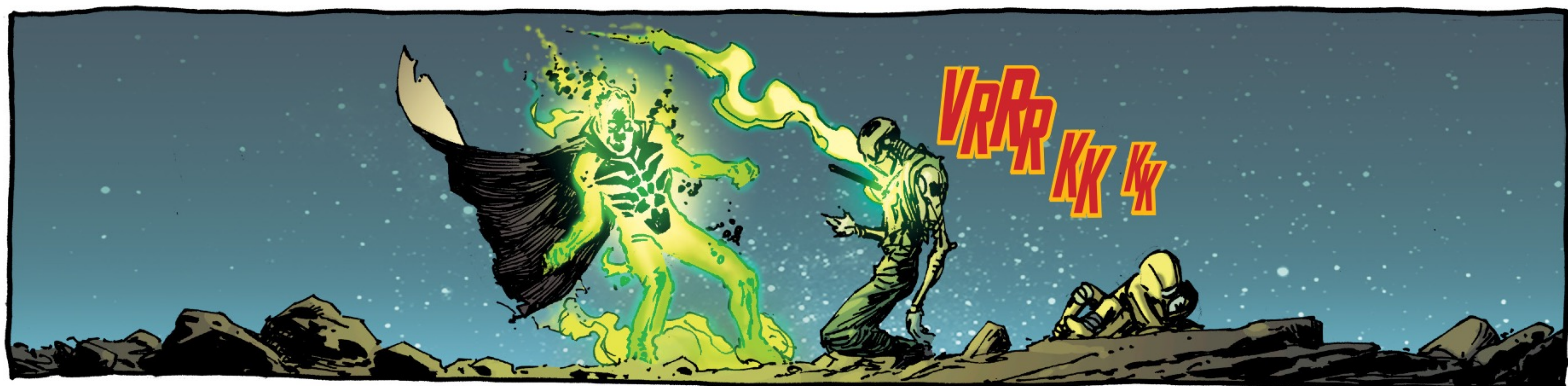


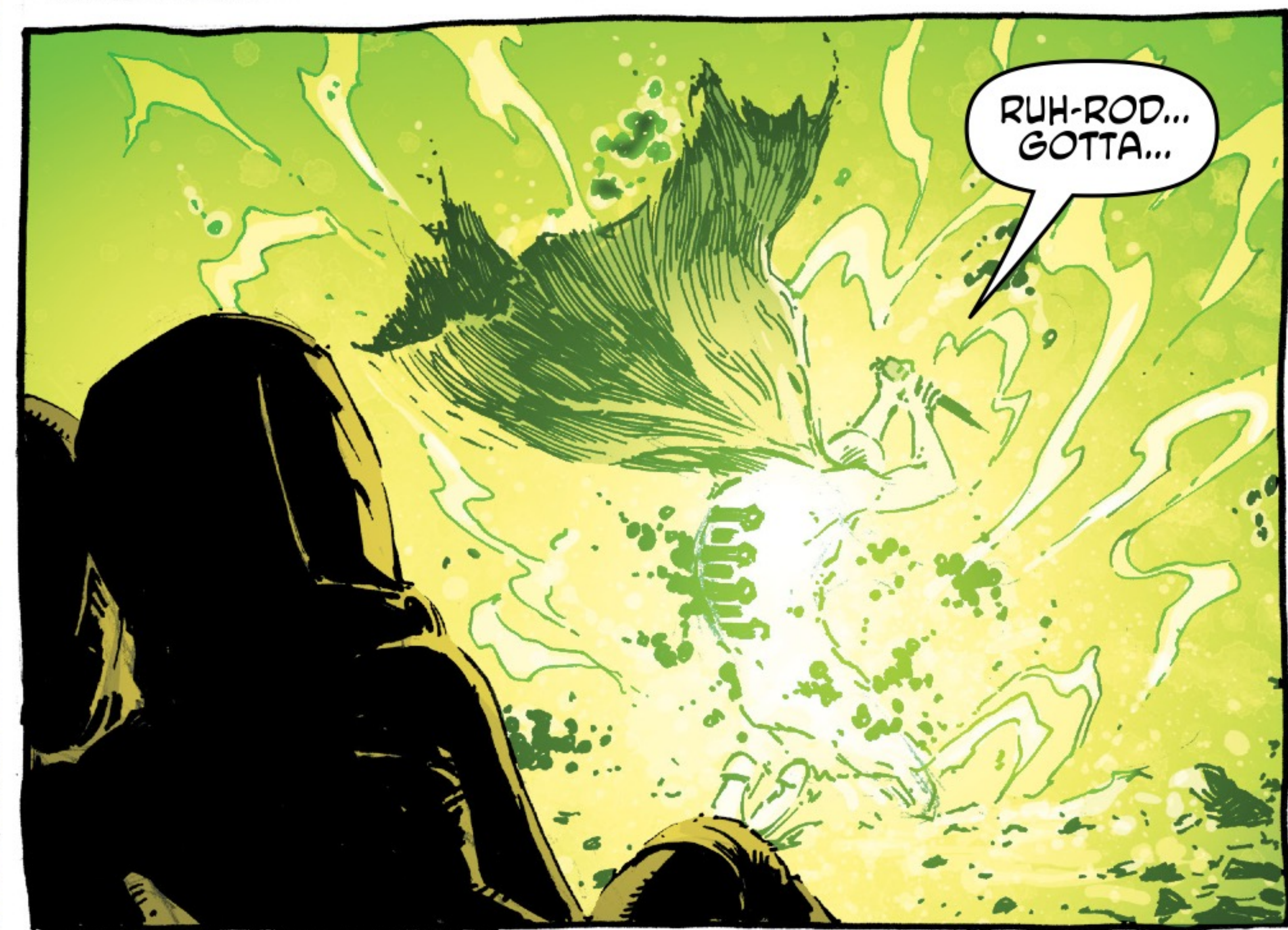
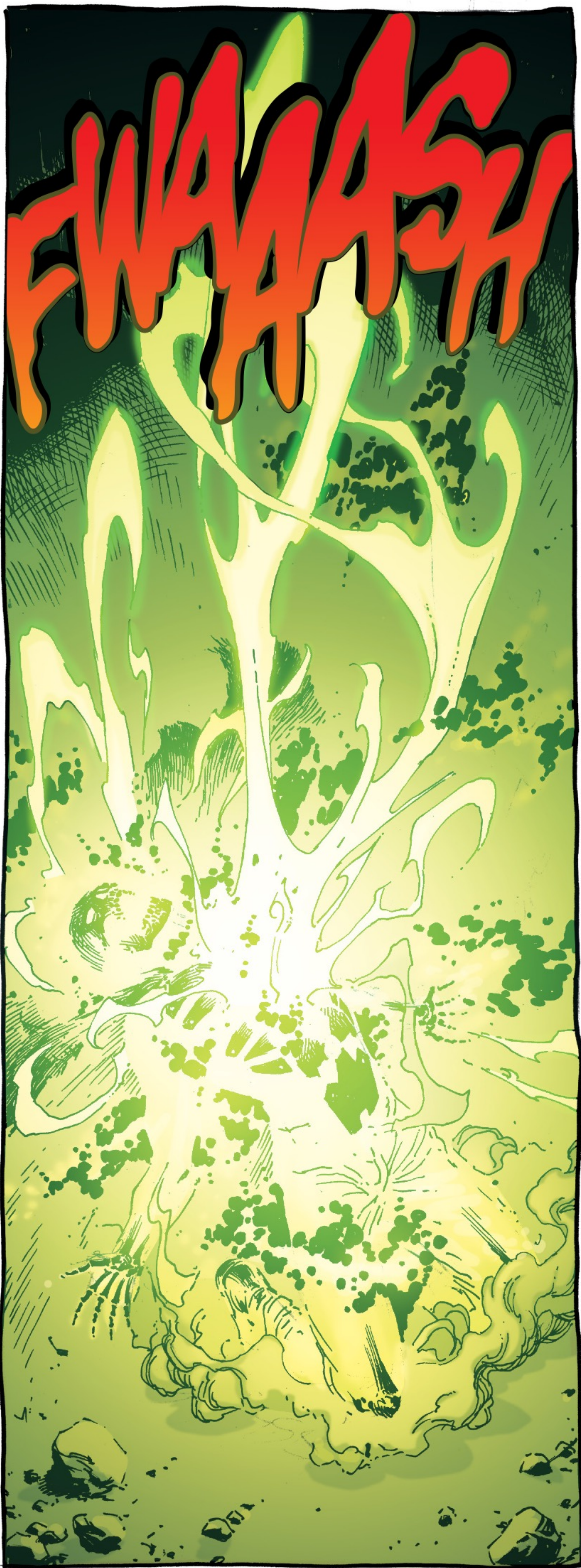
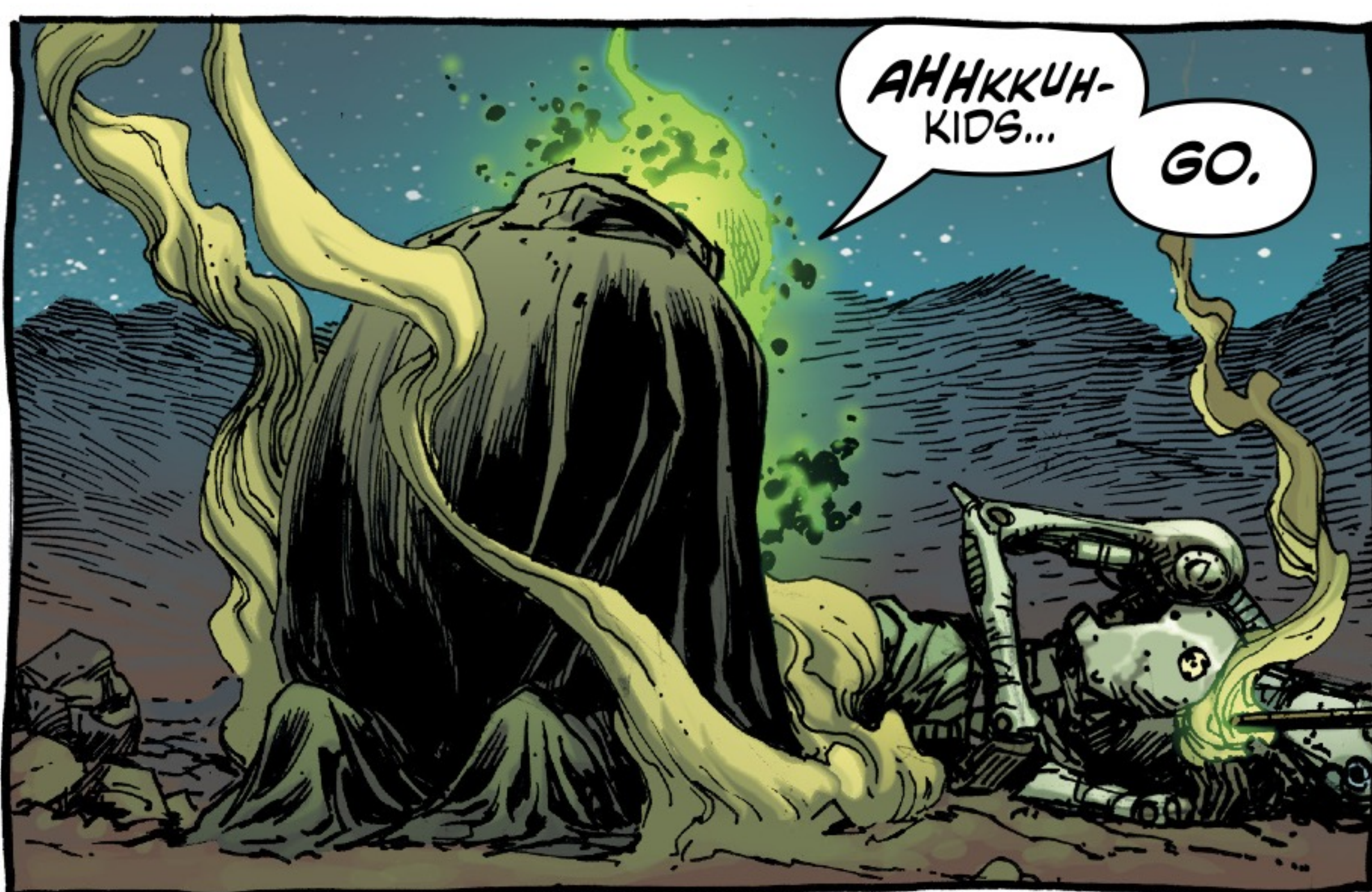








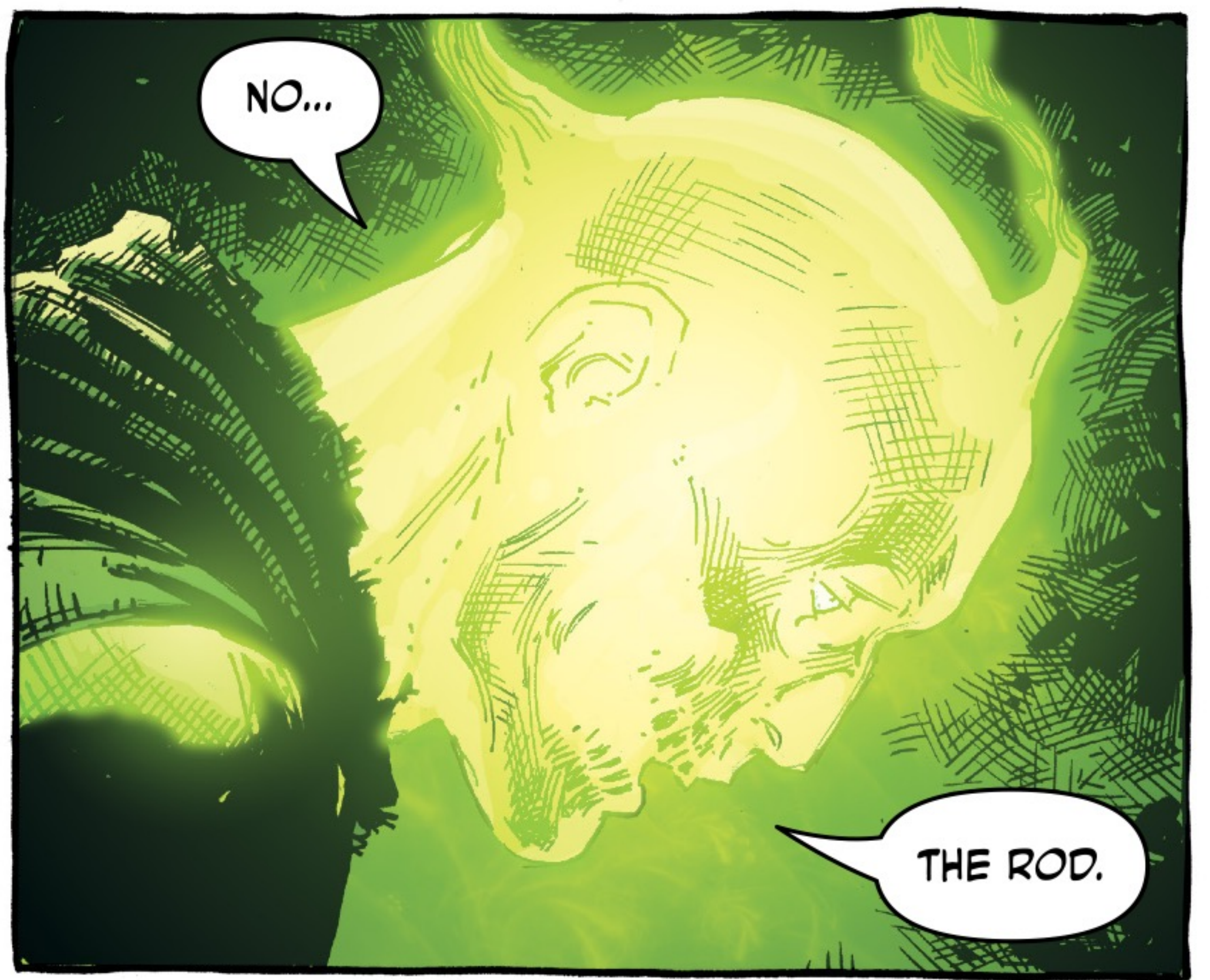






AAAA!

SHIAAK



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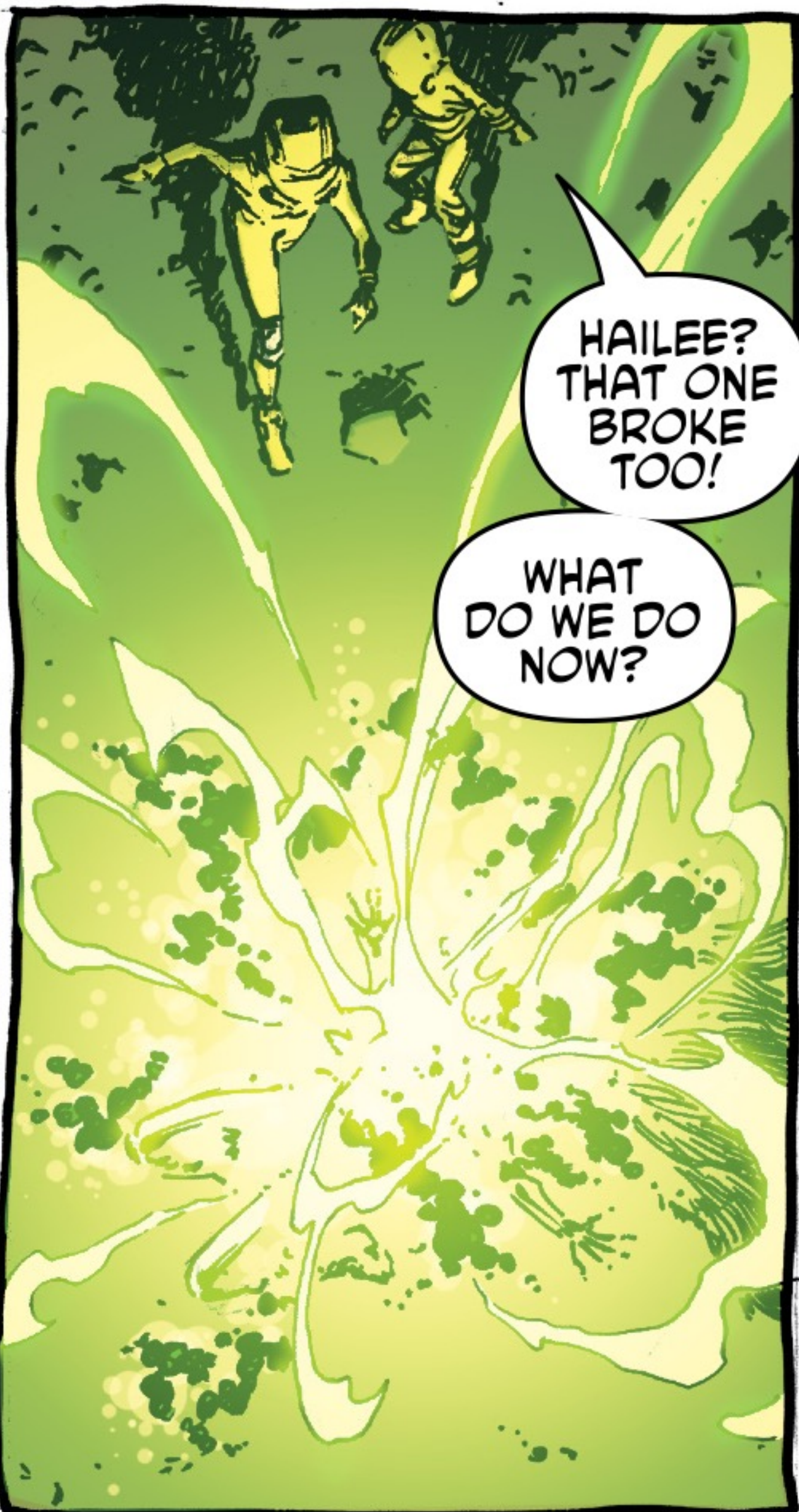
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TARIQ?

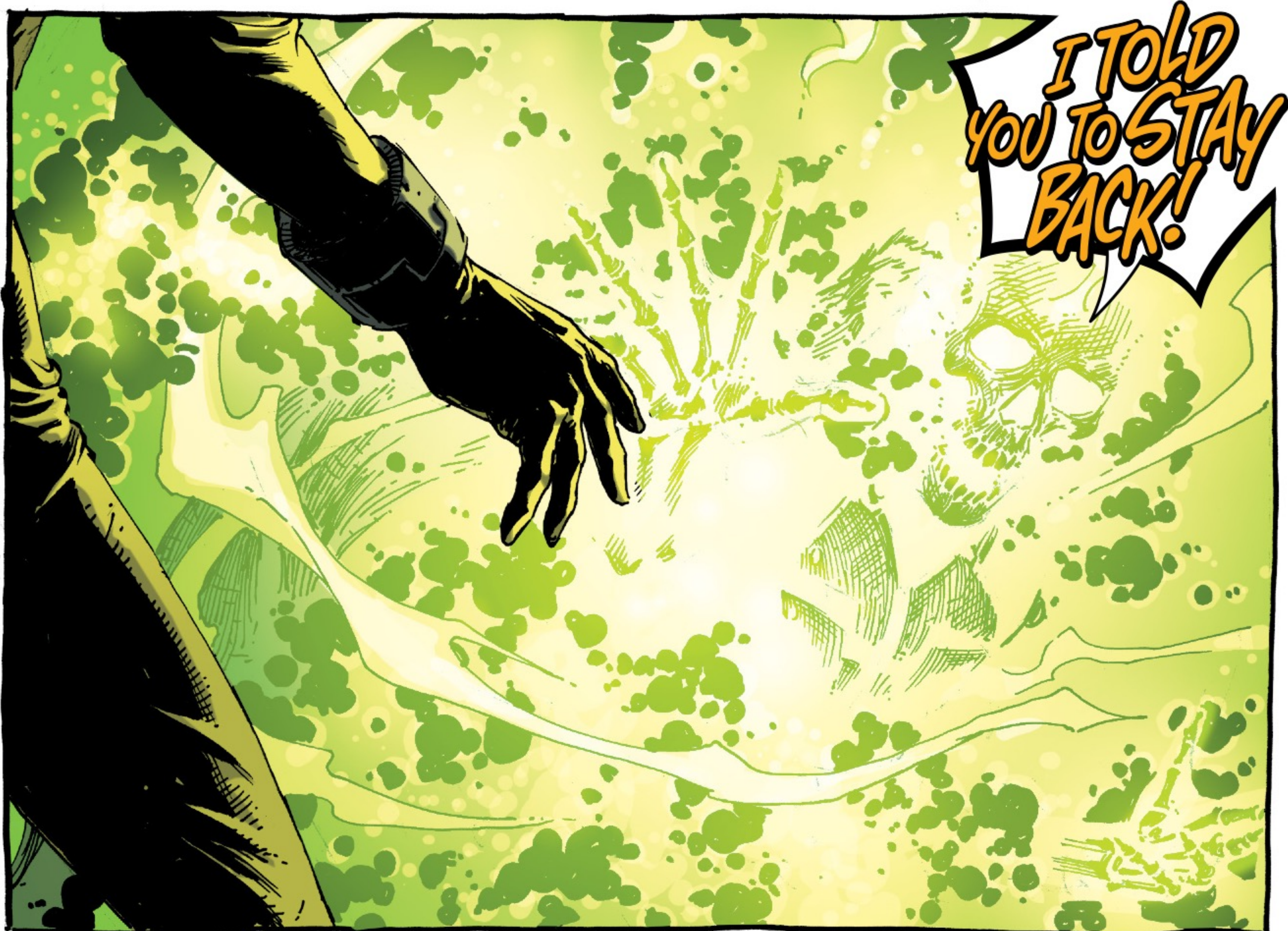


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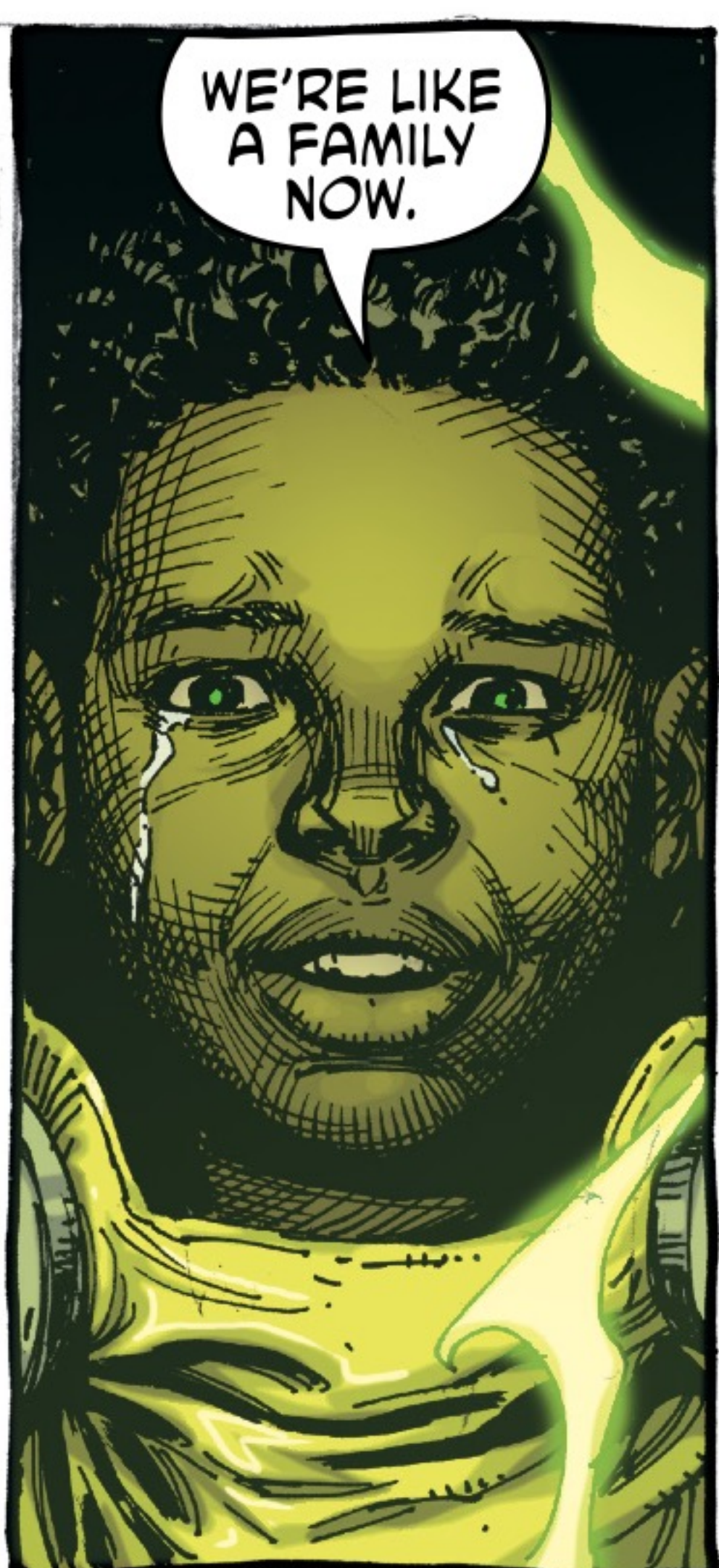
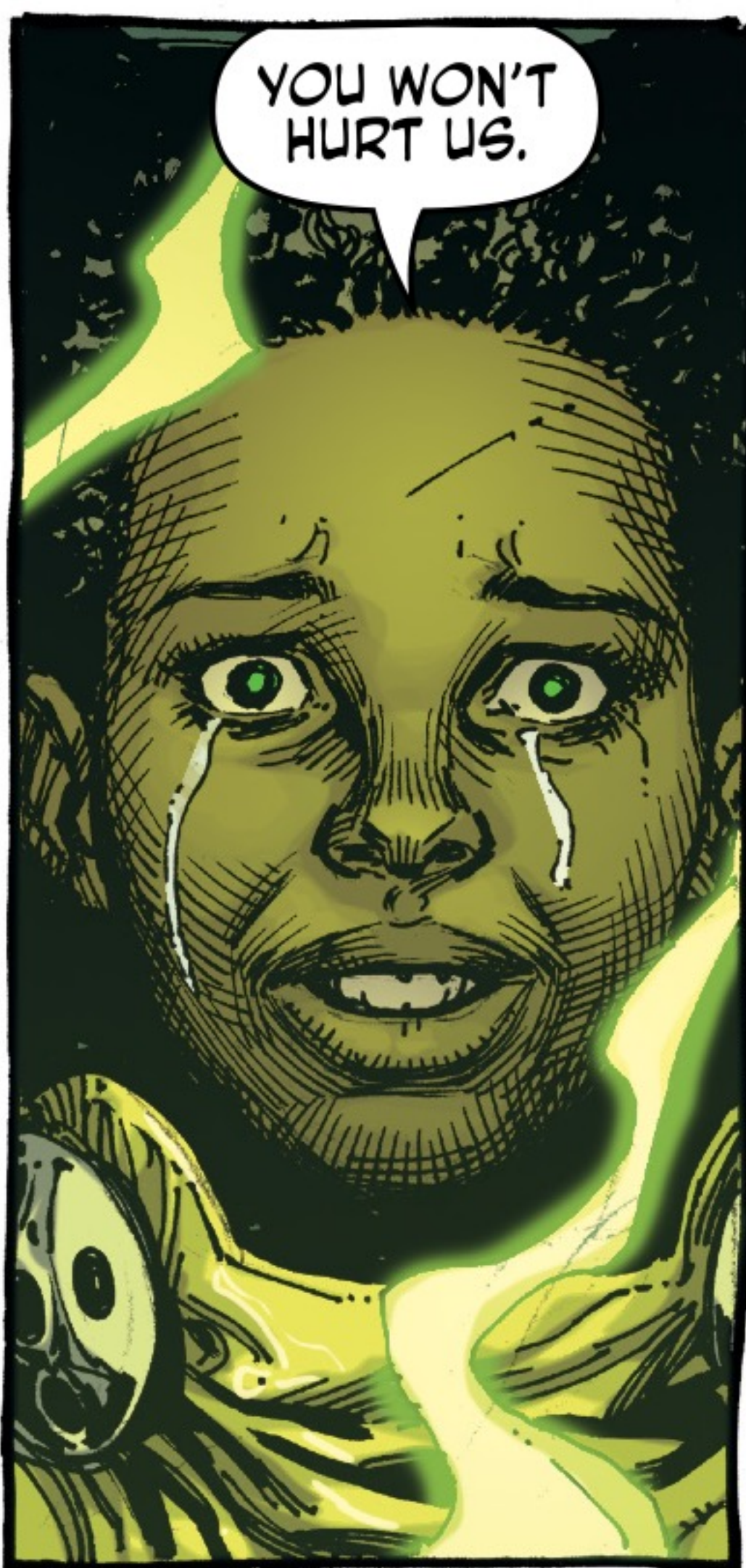
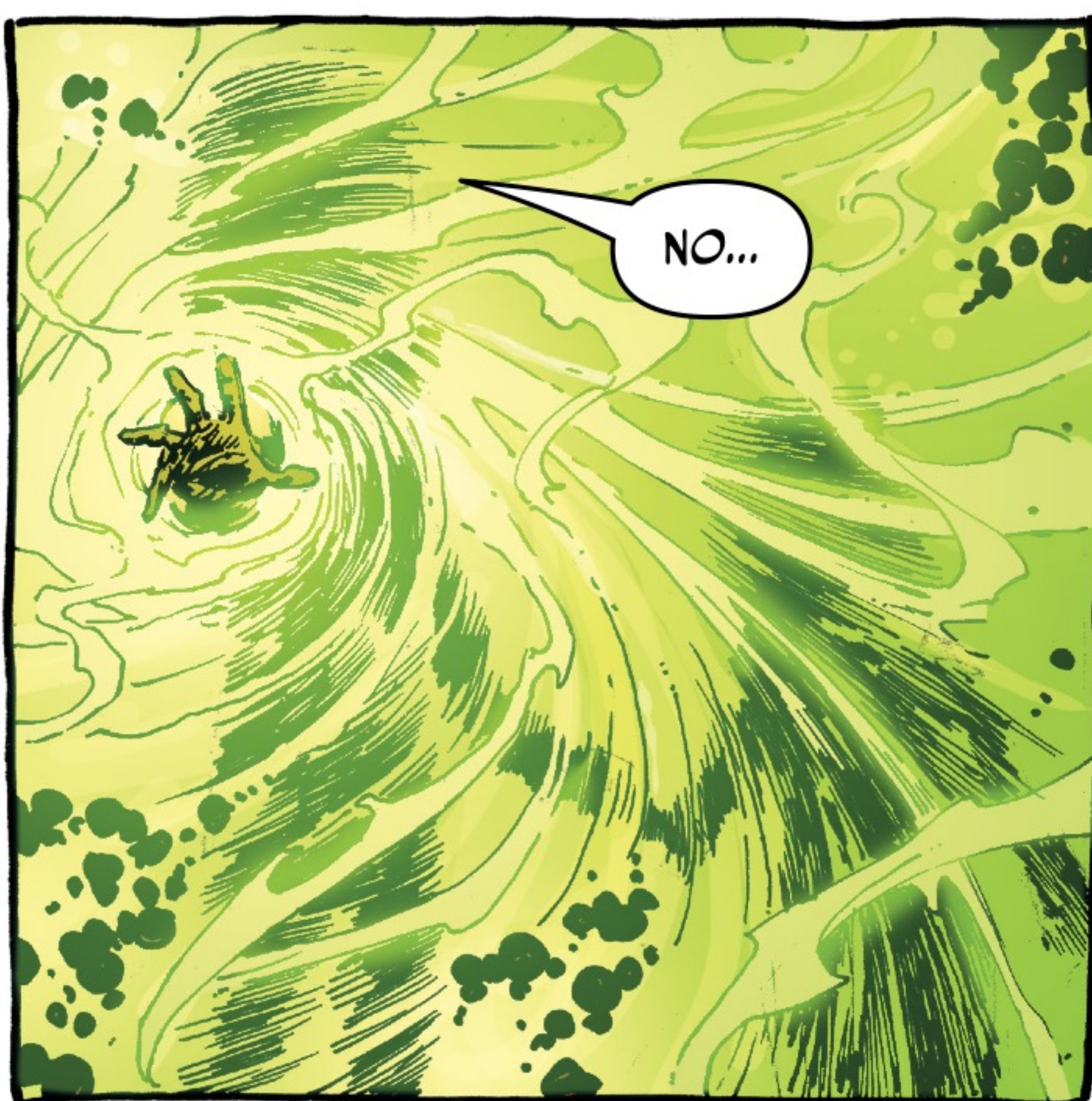
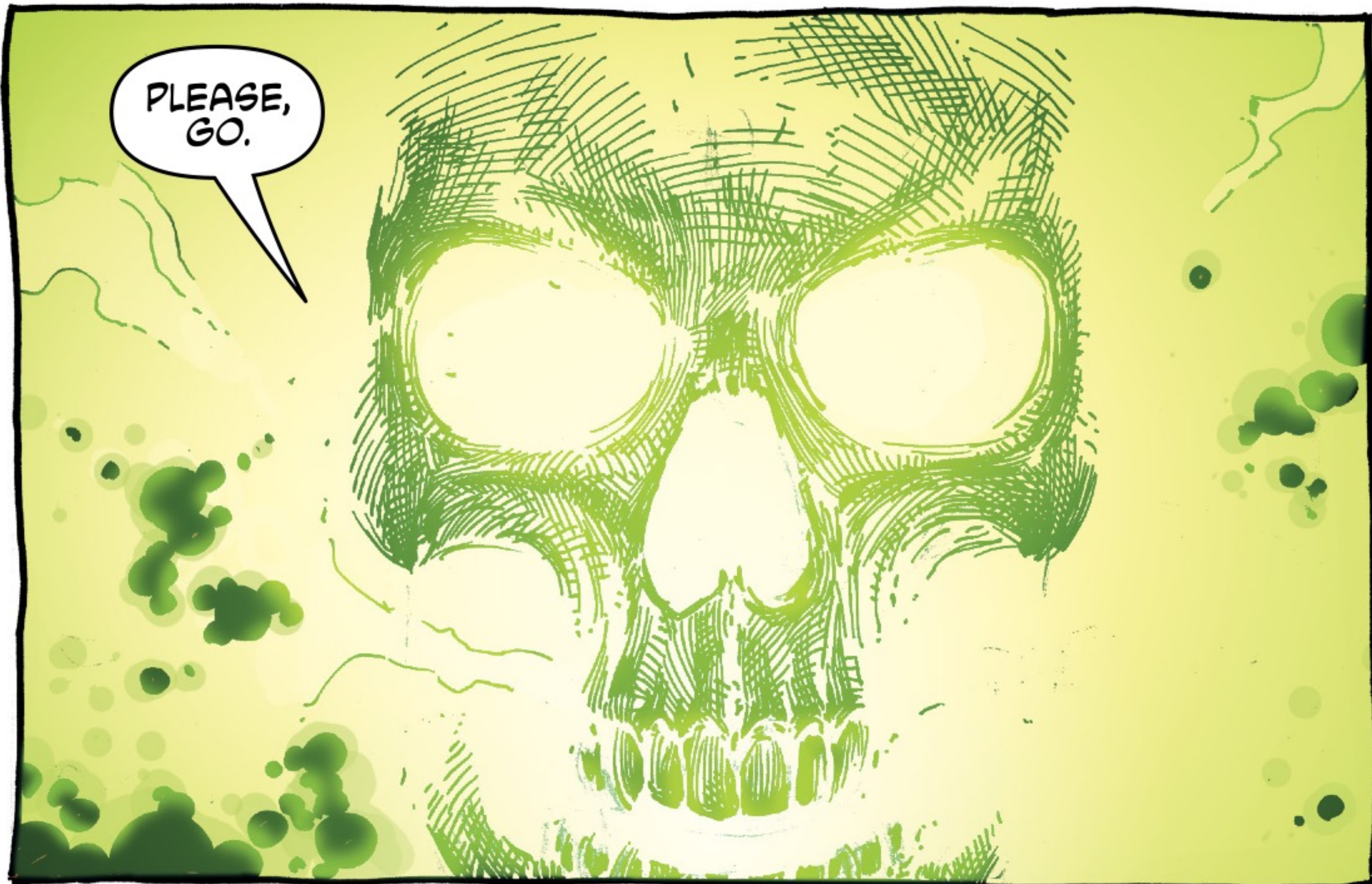
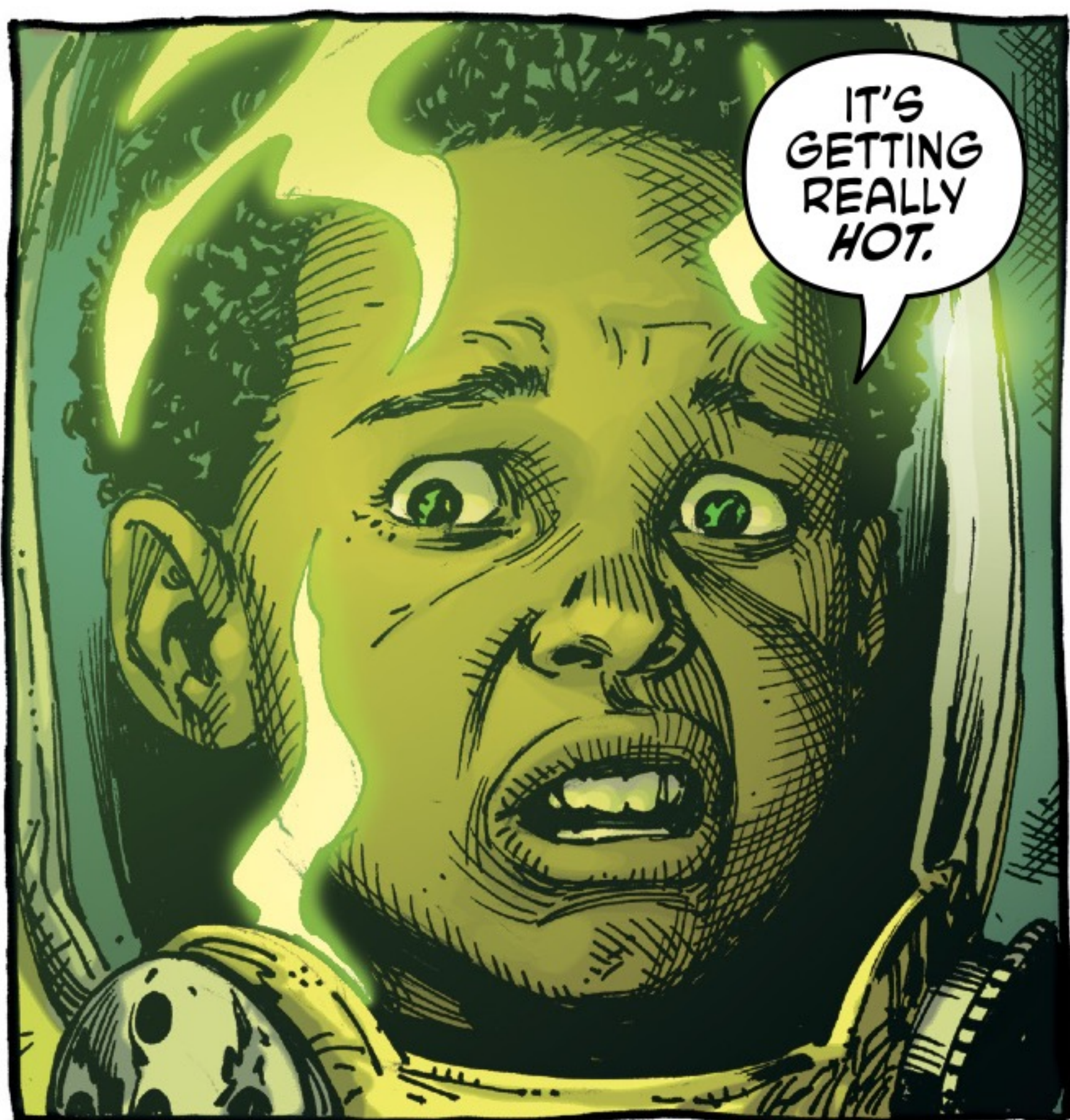


HAILEE?
THAT ONE
BROKE
TOO!

WHAT
DO WE DO
NOW?



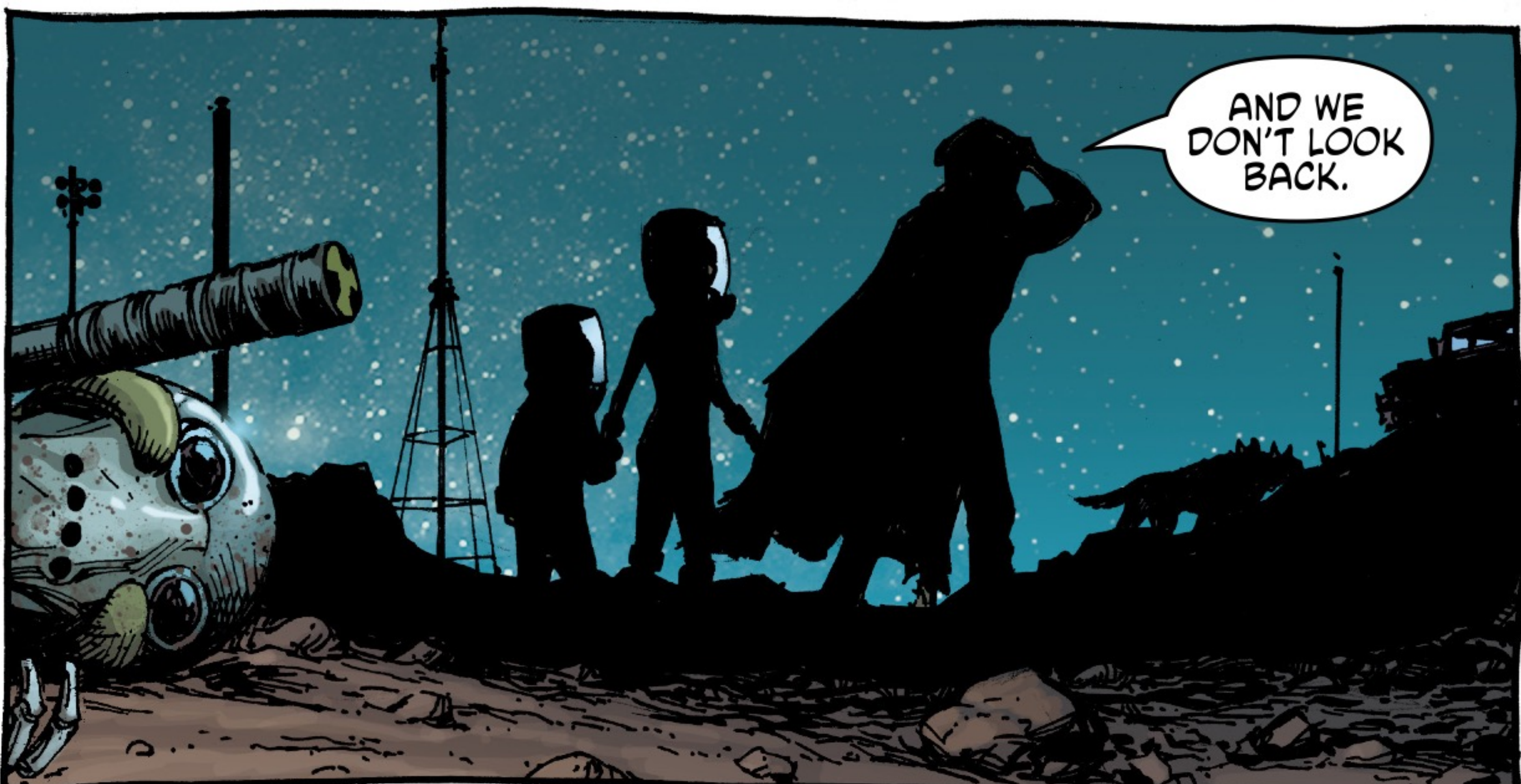
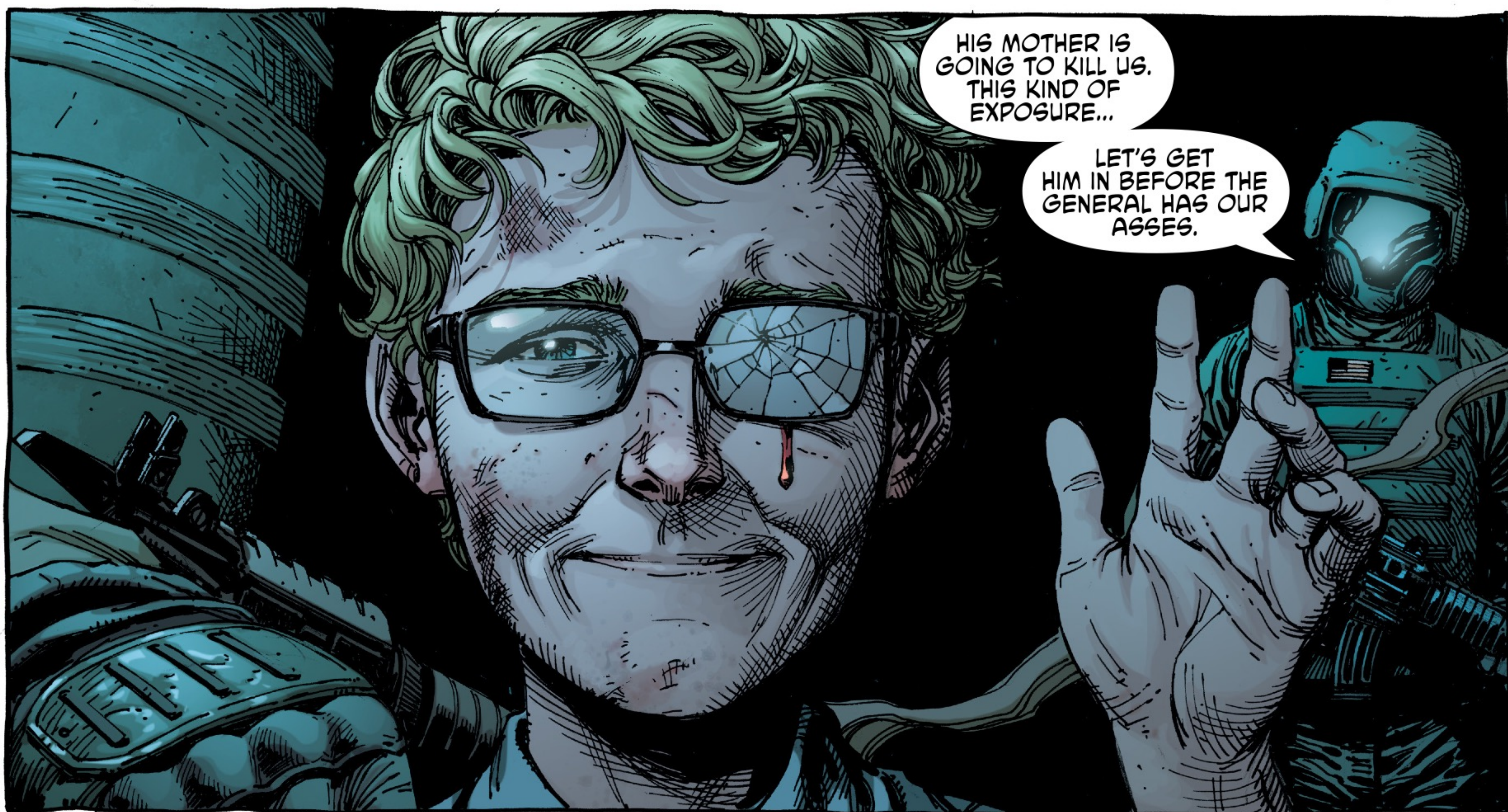
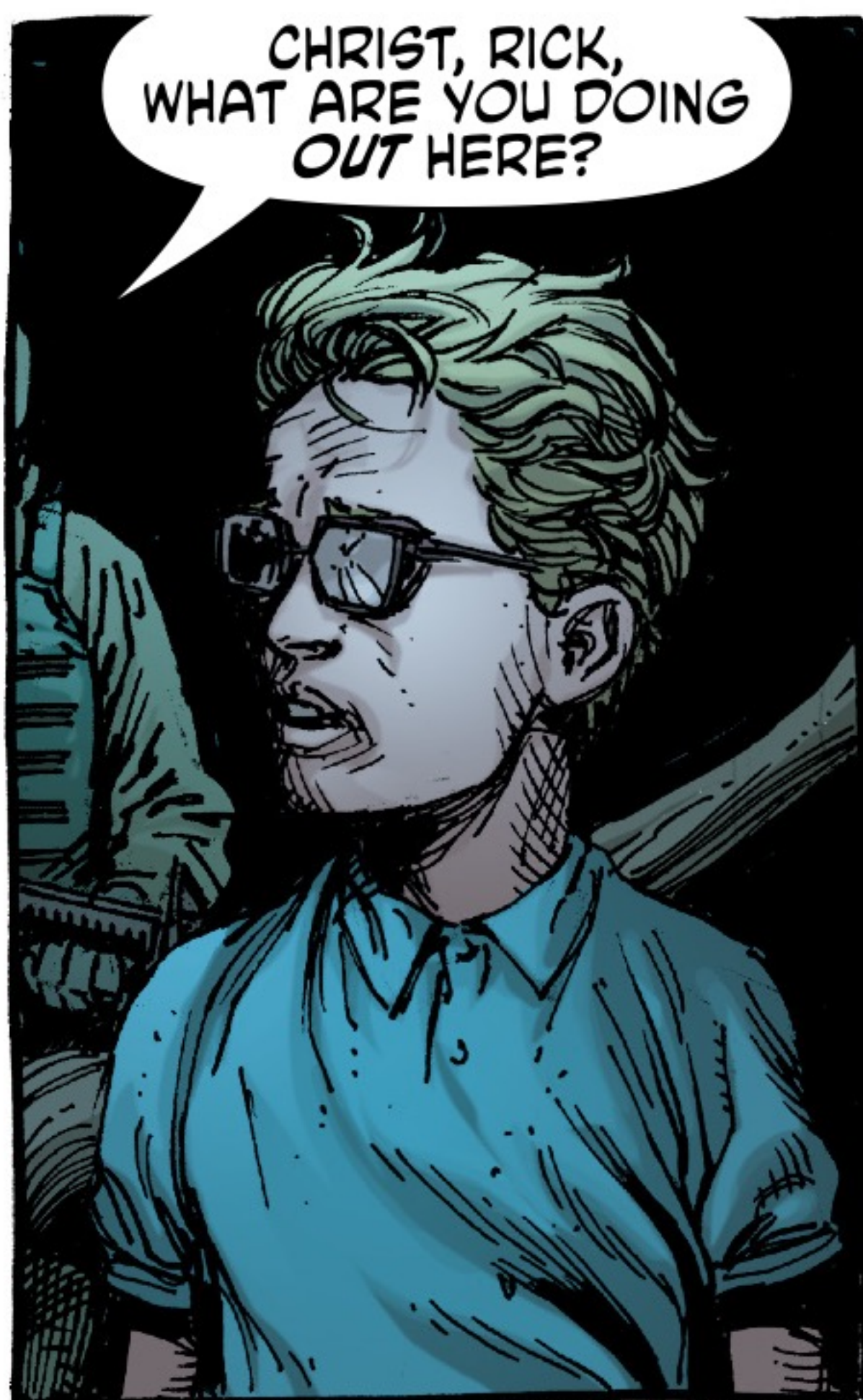
I TOLD
YOU TO STAY
BACK!



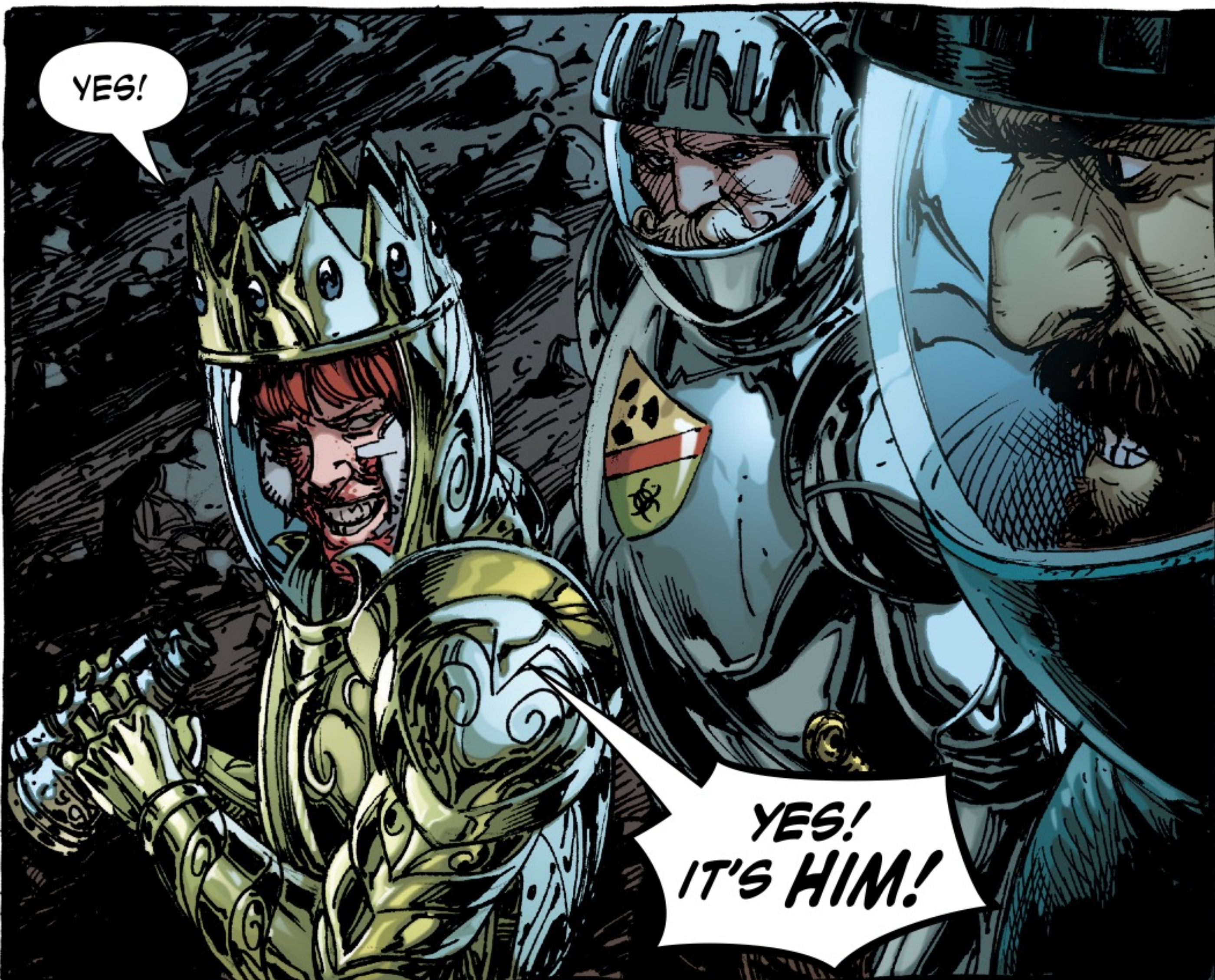
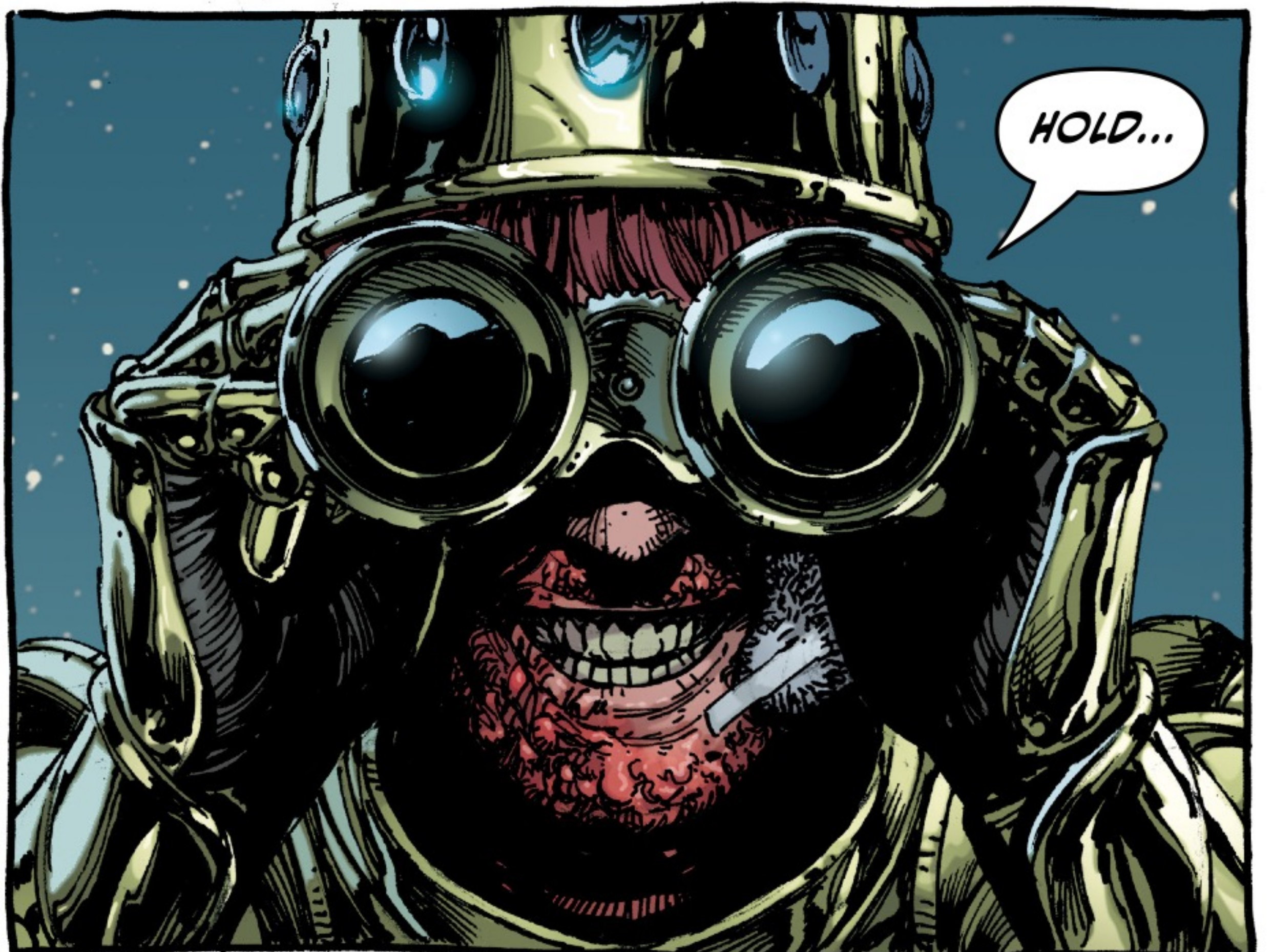


WE'RE
HERE
FOR YOU,
TOO.











WAIT
HERE.

WHERE
ARE YOU
GOING?

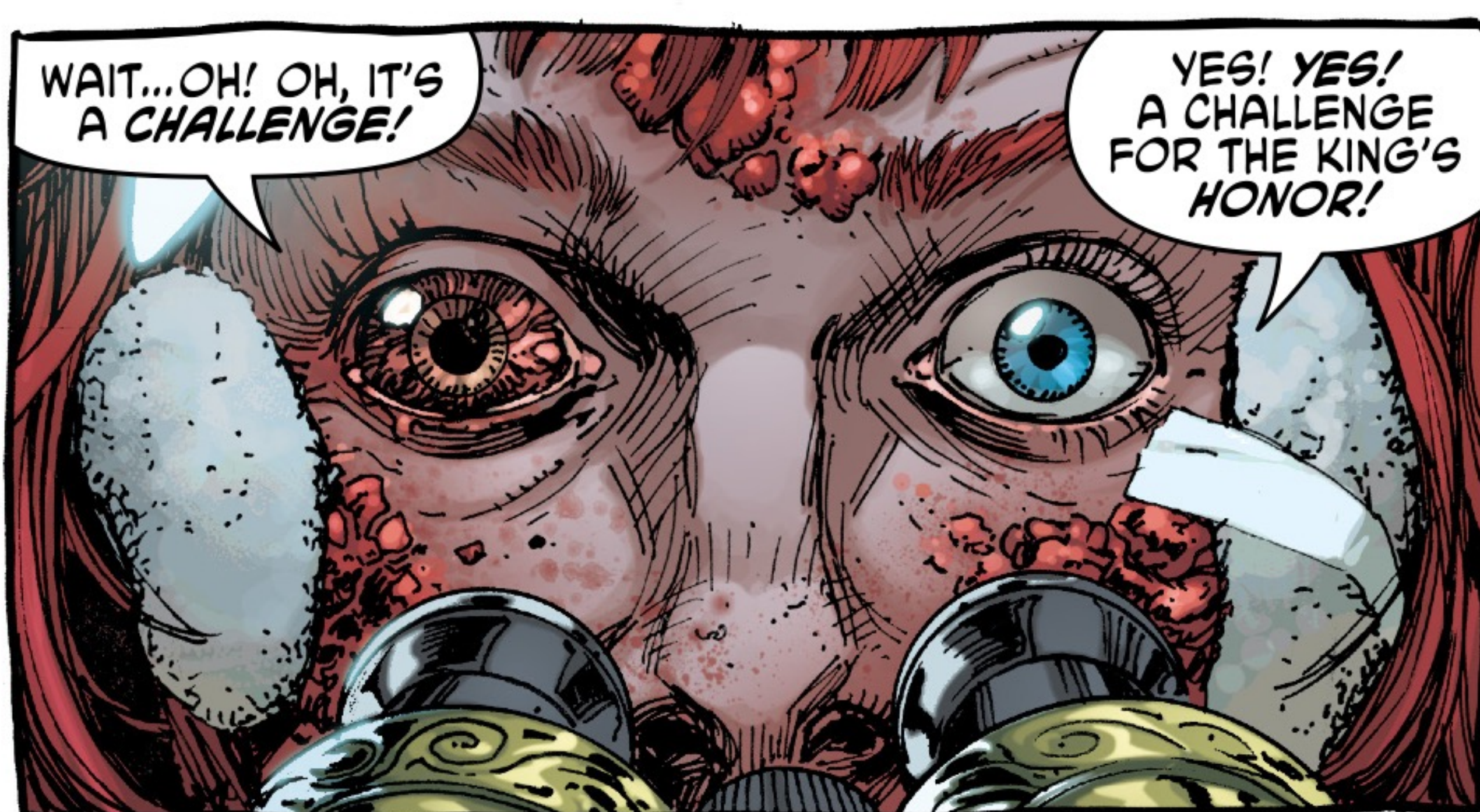


TO
SAY HI.



HE'S
WALKING
TOWARDS US.
JUST...

WALKING.



WAIT...OH! OH, IT'S
A CHALLENGE!

YES! YES!
A CHALLENGE
FOR THE KING'S
HONOR!



NO TIME FOR
GAMES, KID. WE
NEED THAT
BACKPACK.

OH,
SHUT UP,
BONNIE.

IT'S
MISS BORDEN
TO YOU, YA
LITTLE BRAT.



HAZMATT! I APPOINT YOU THE
NUCLEAR KNIGHT TO FIGHT
FOR MY GLORY.

BUT
YOU--

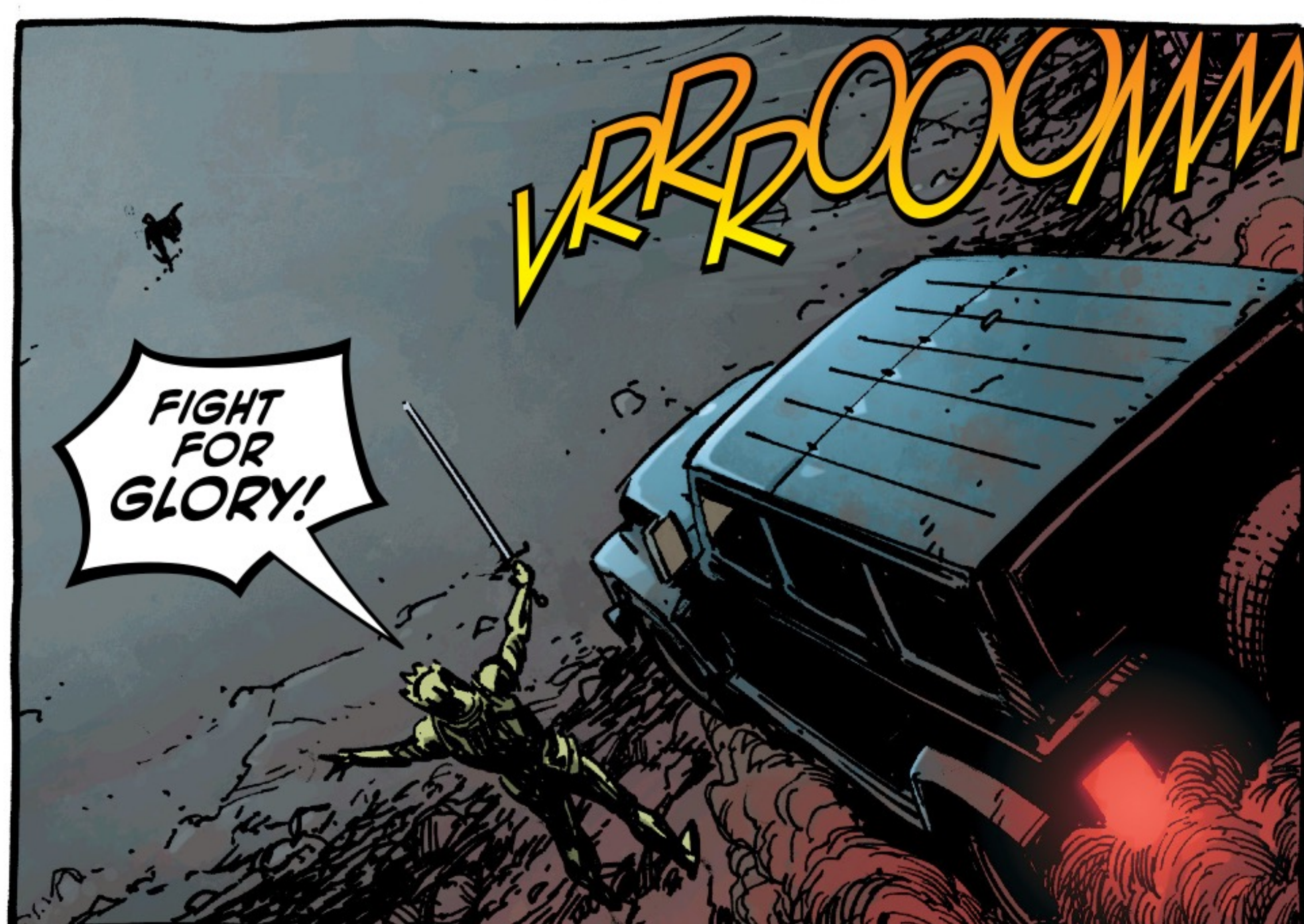
I'M NOT THE DRIVER YOU
ARE, MY HONORED KNIGHT.
NOW TAKE CHARGE OF THE
WARSHIP BEHIND US.

AND
NO MERCY
PASSES,
UNDERSTAND?



WHAT'S HE
DOING?

I DON'T
KNOW.



FIGHT
FOR
GLORY!



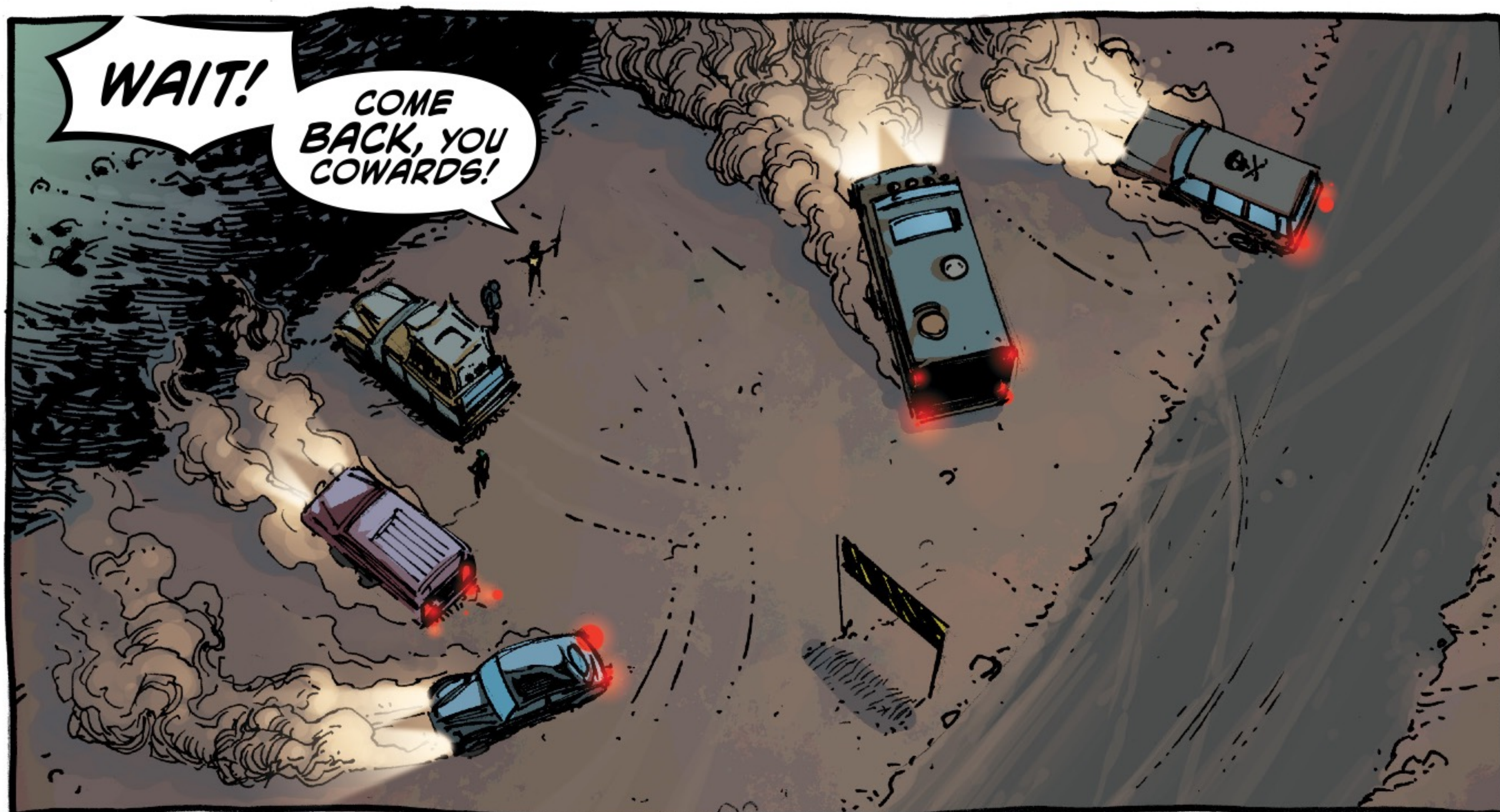


HE GLOWS, ALRIGHT. THINK MY TIME WITH YOU IS OVER, KING.

YOU WITH US, BONNIE?

YEP.

LET'S SKIP OUTTA HERE, BOYS.



WAIT!

COME BACK, YOU COWARDS!



THAT WAS AWESOME!

YOU SHOULD BE BUCKLED UP.

BUT... WHAT NOW?

NOW THEY'LL LET US PASS.



THERE'S A PUH-PLACE... A TOWN, WITH DOCTORS.

ONE OF THEM HELPED ME... A LONG TIME AGO.

THEY DON'T LIKE ME VERY MUCH... BUT THEY CAN HELP HENRY NOW.

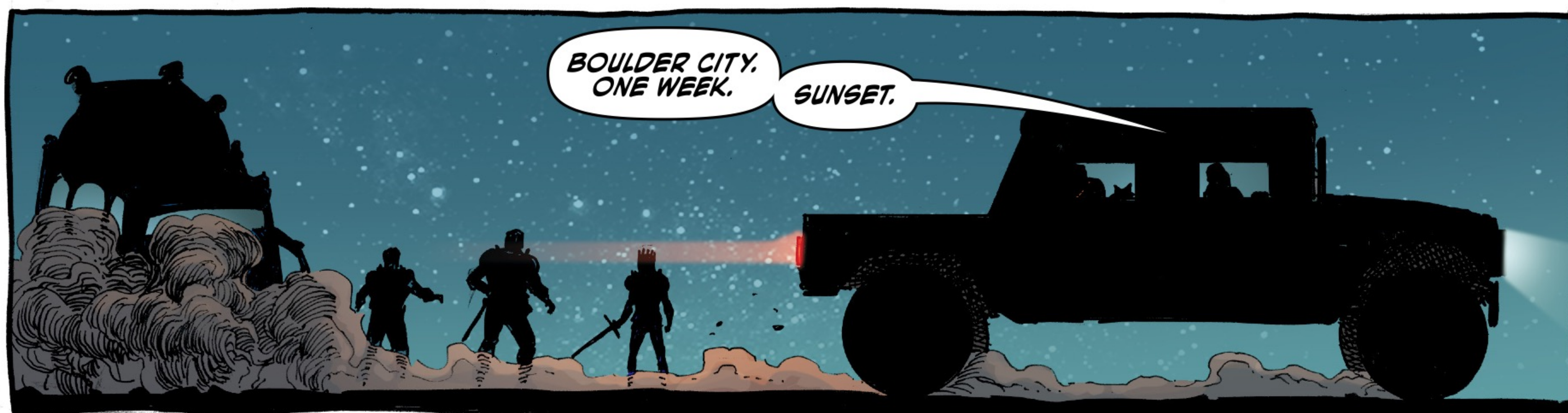


CAN THEY HELP YOU?



YEAH...

YEAH. THEY CAN HELP MUH-ME TOO, HENRY.



BOULDER CITY, ONE WEEK.

SUNSET.

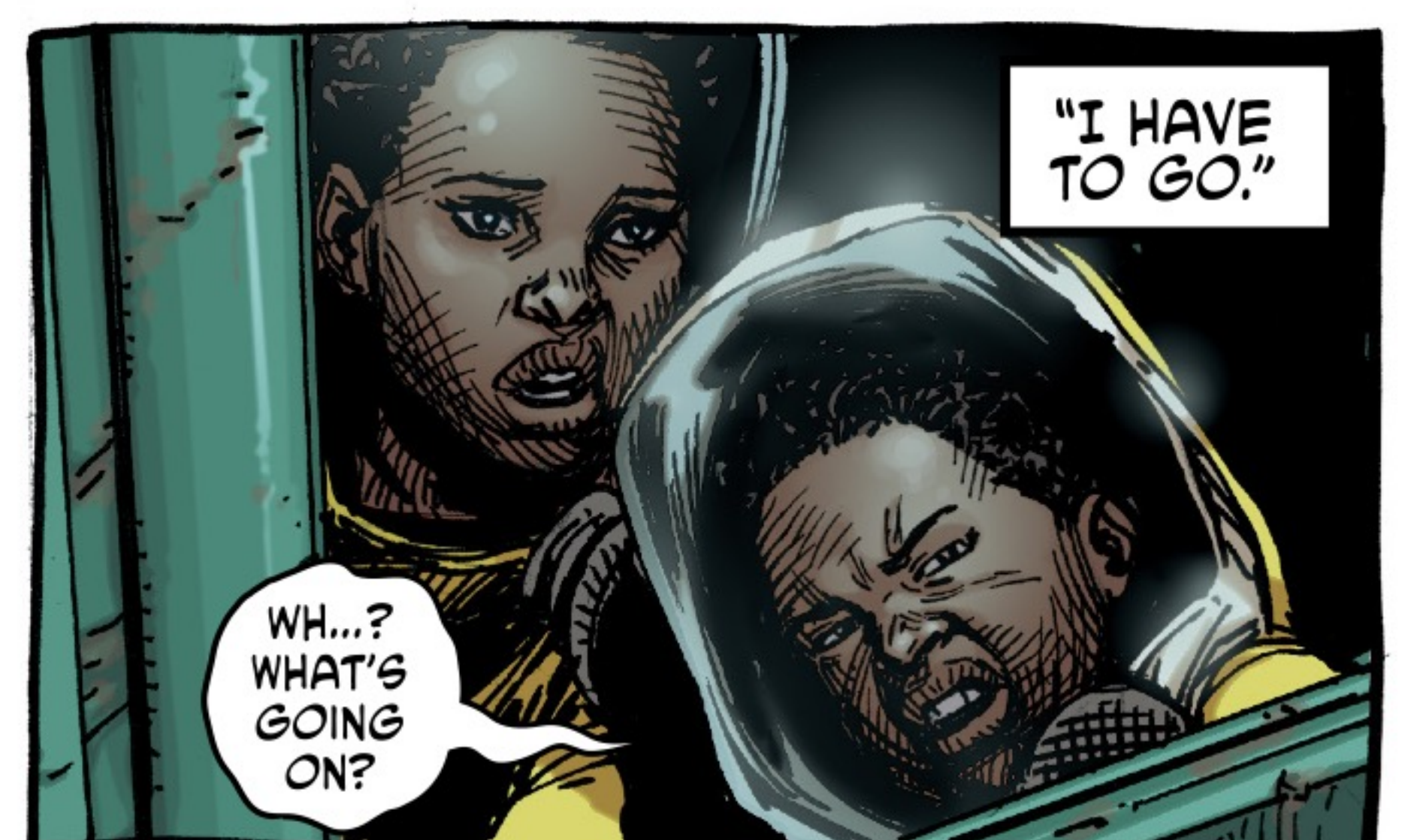
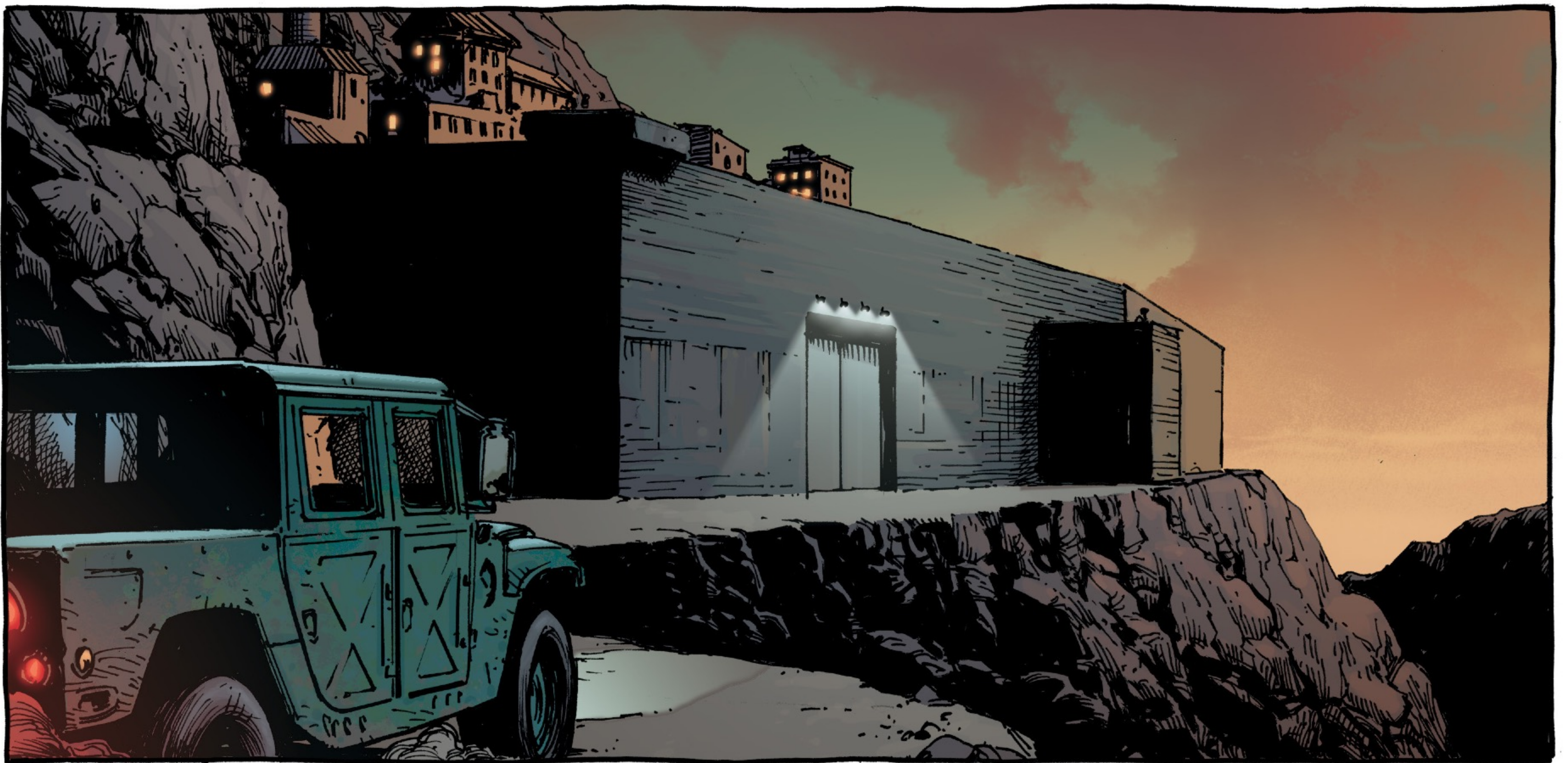


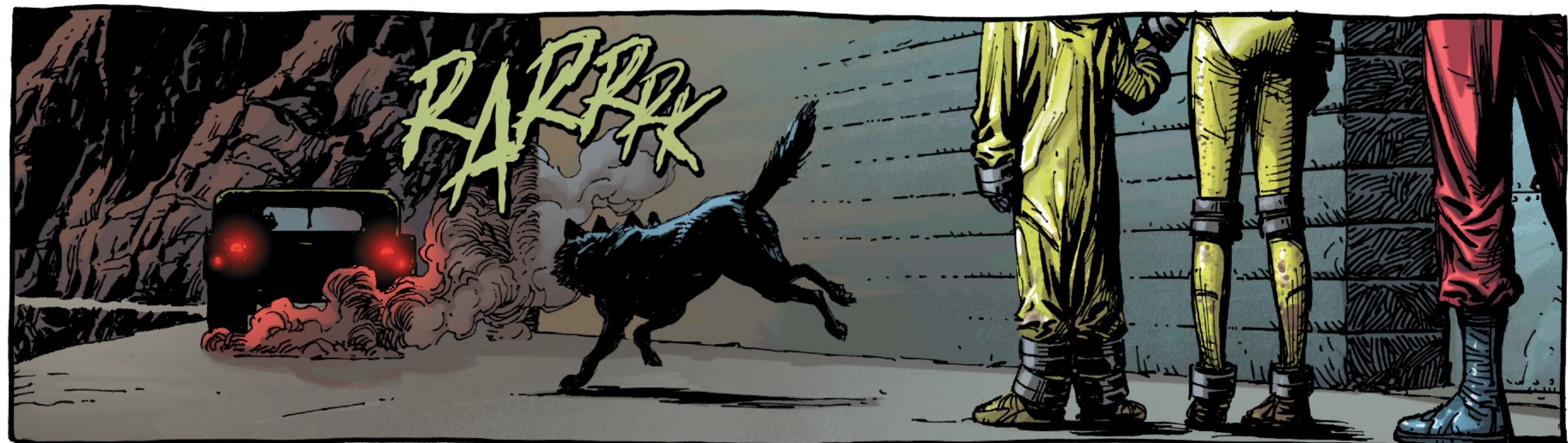
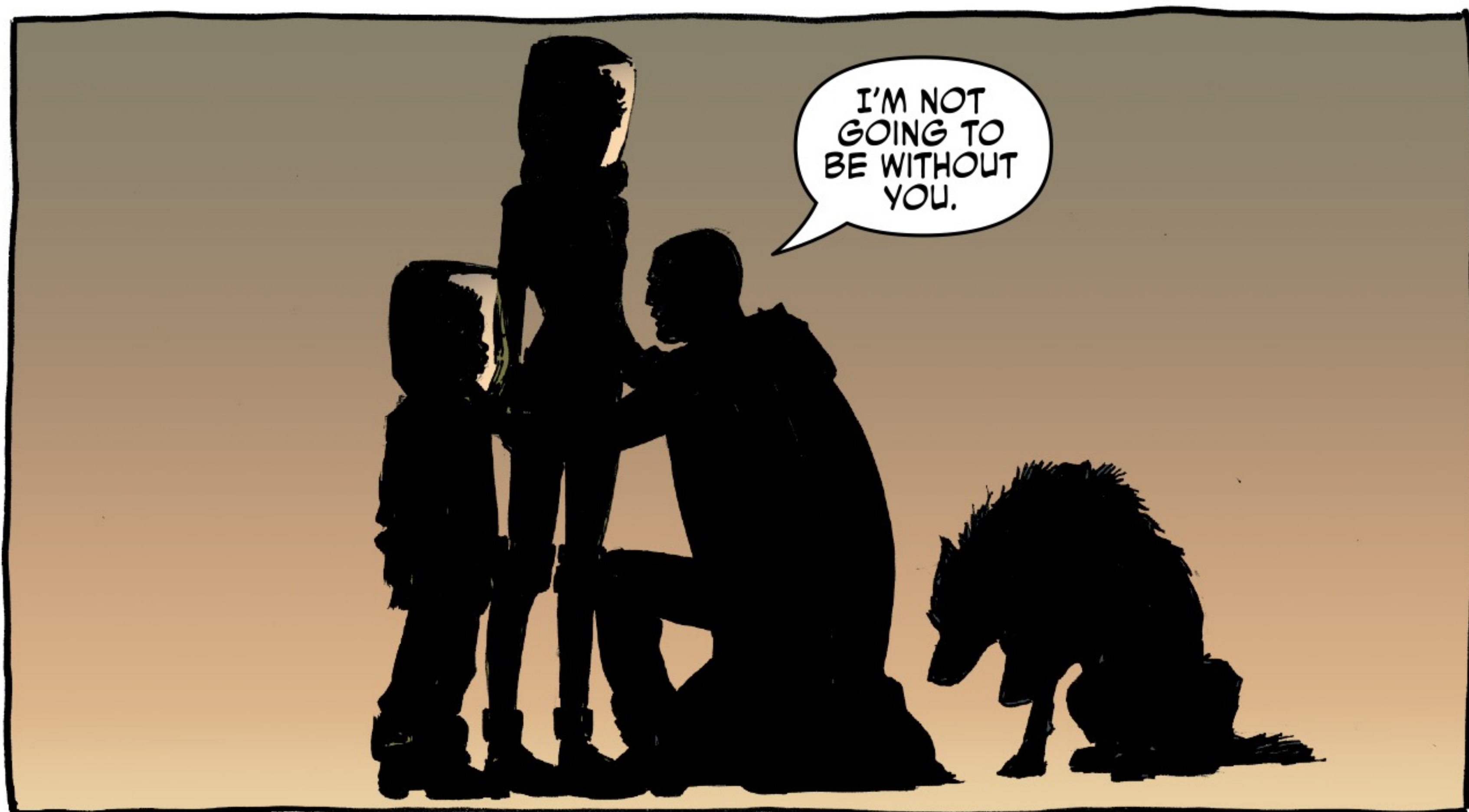
CALL MY NUCLEAR KNIGHTS.

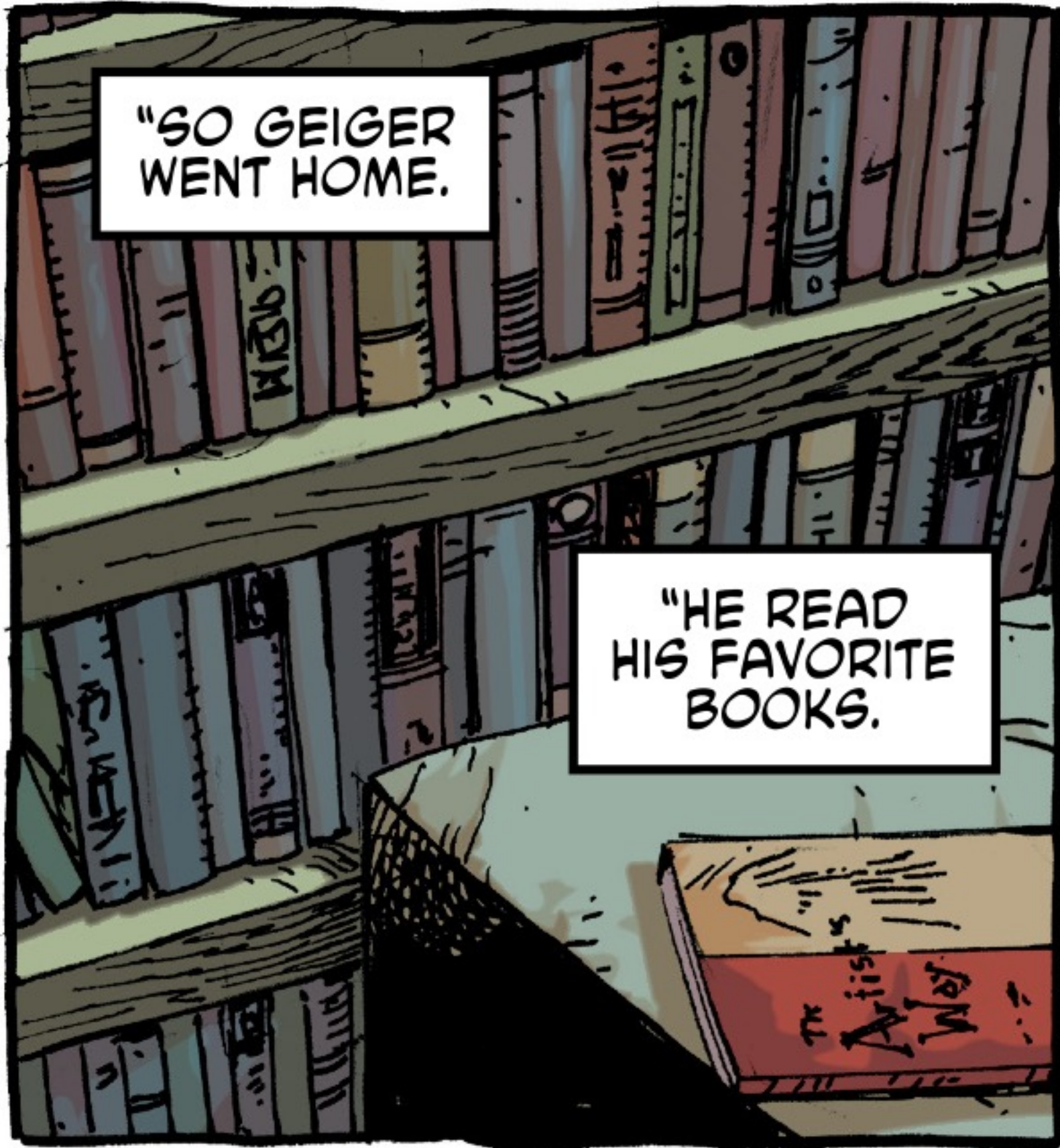
WHICH ONES, SIR?



"ALL OF THEM, YOU IDIOT."







"SO GEIGER WENT HOME."

"HE READ HIS FAVORITE BOOKS."



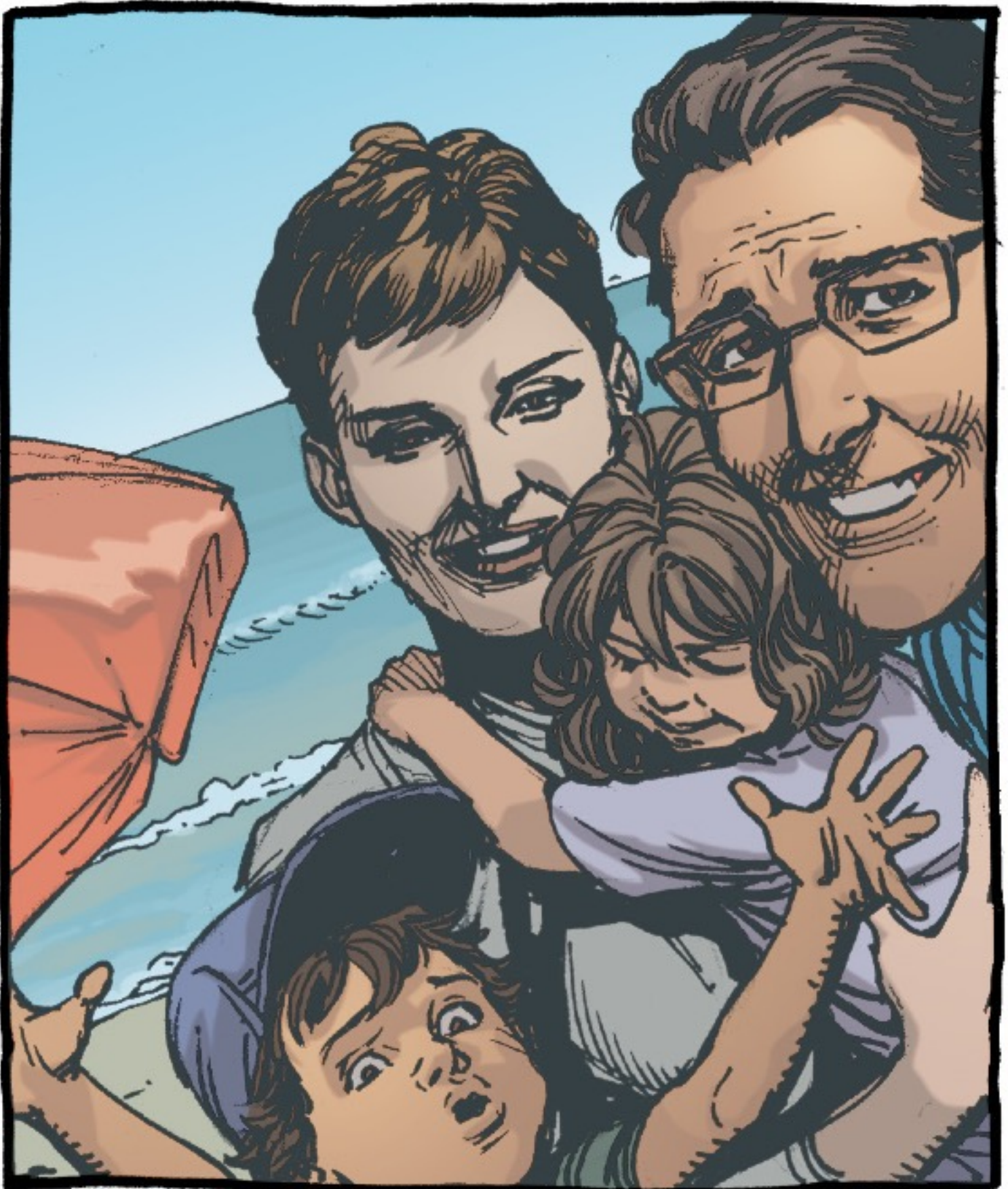
"HE DID THE DISHES."



"HE TOOK DOWN THE WALL."



"HE BURIED HIS FAMILY."



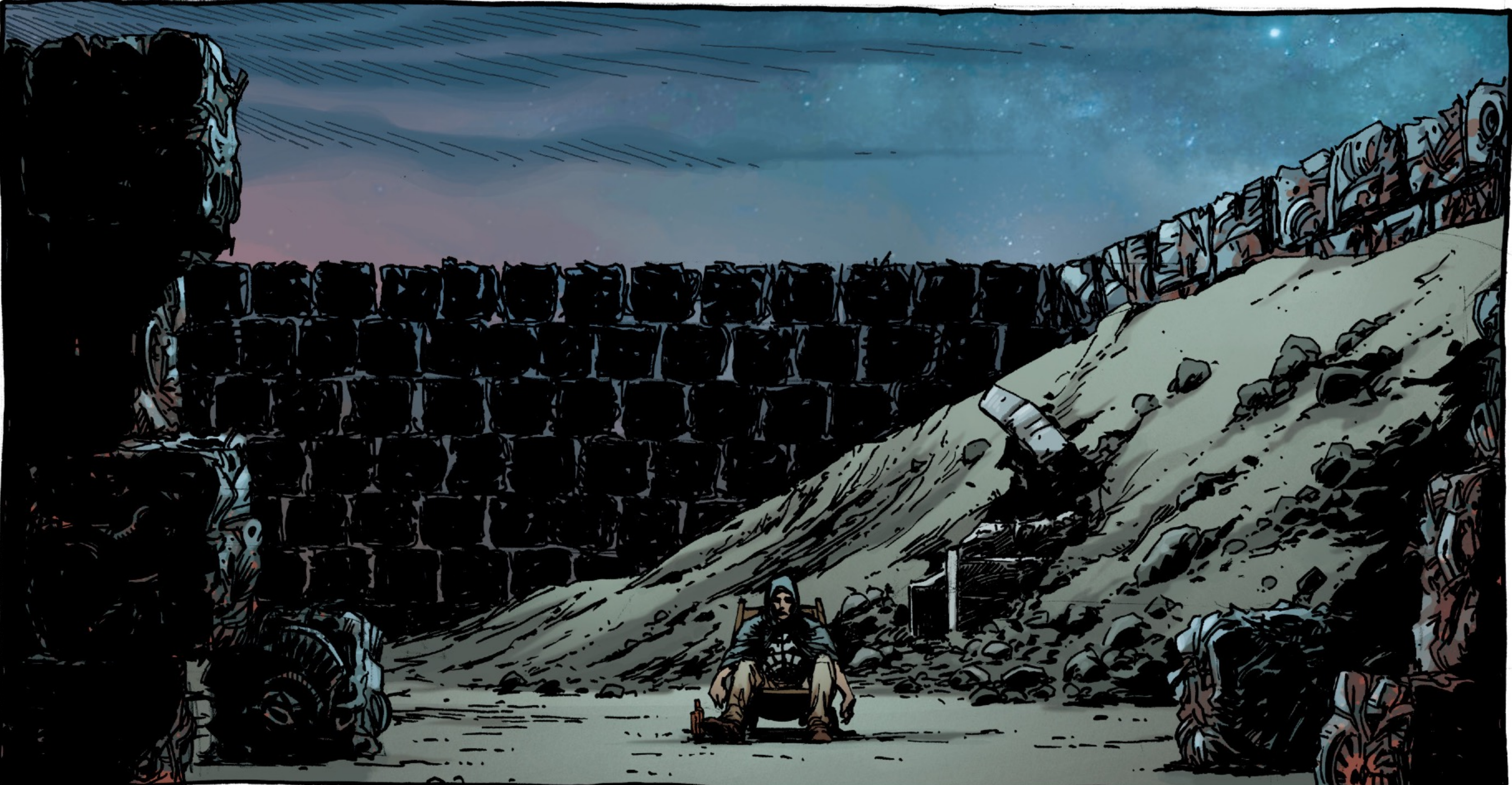
"AND HE WAITED..."

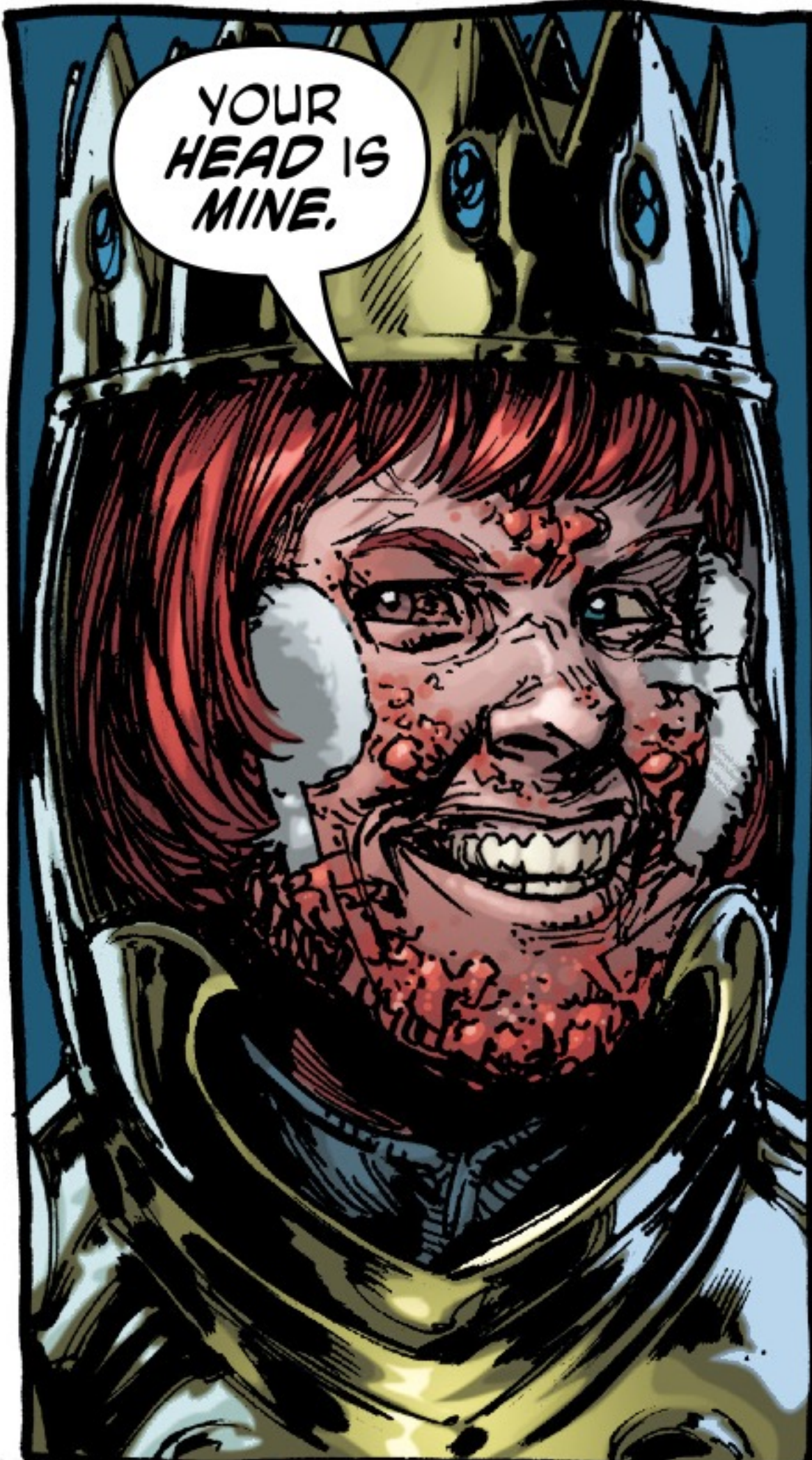


"UNTIL SUNSET."



GLOWING MAN!

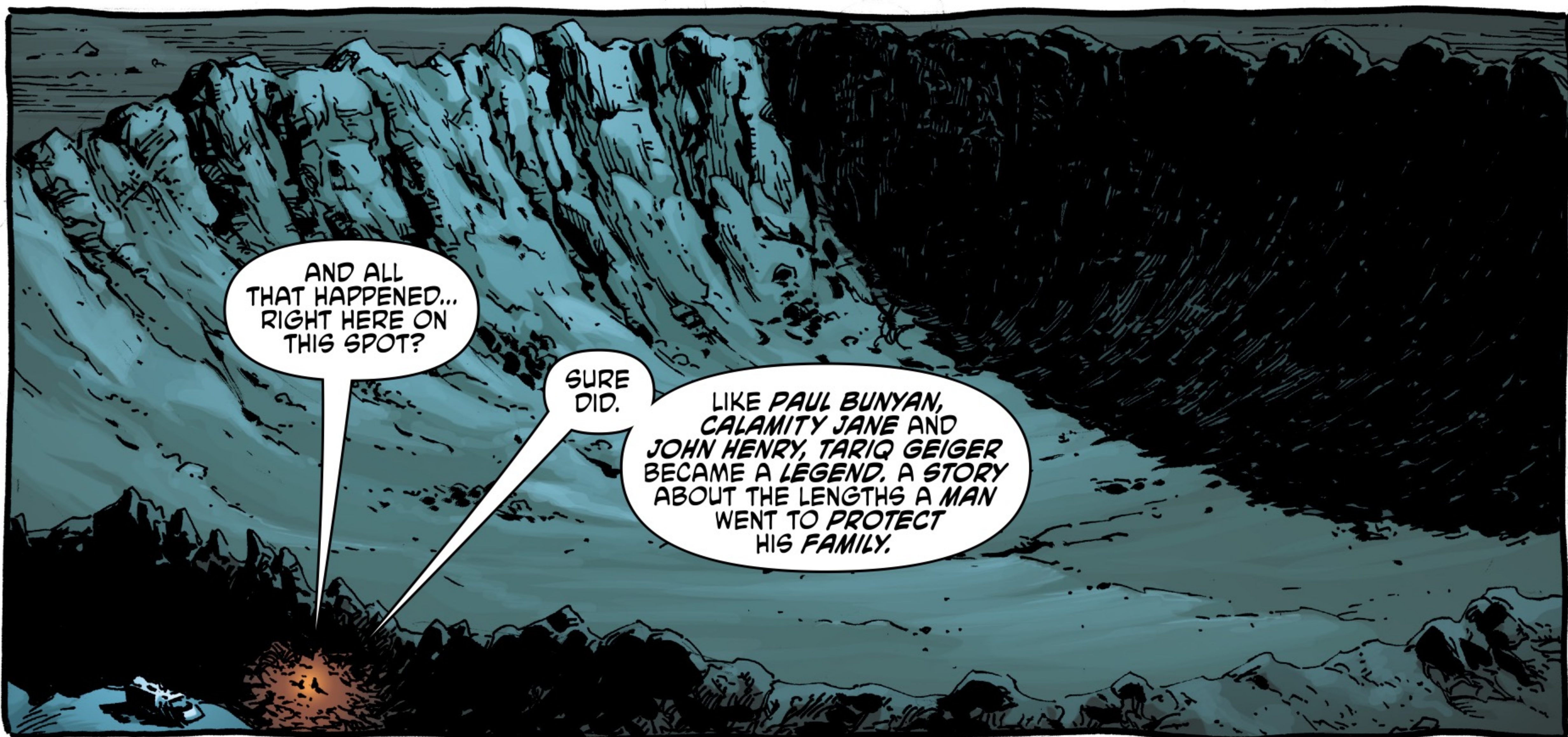




"AND HE FOUND
PEACE."



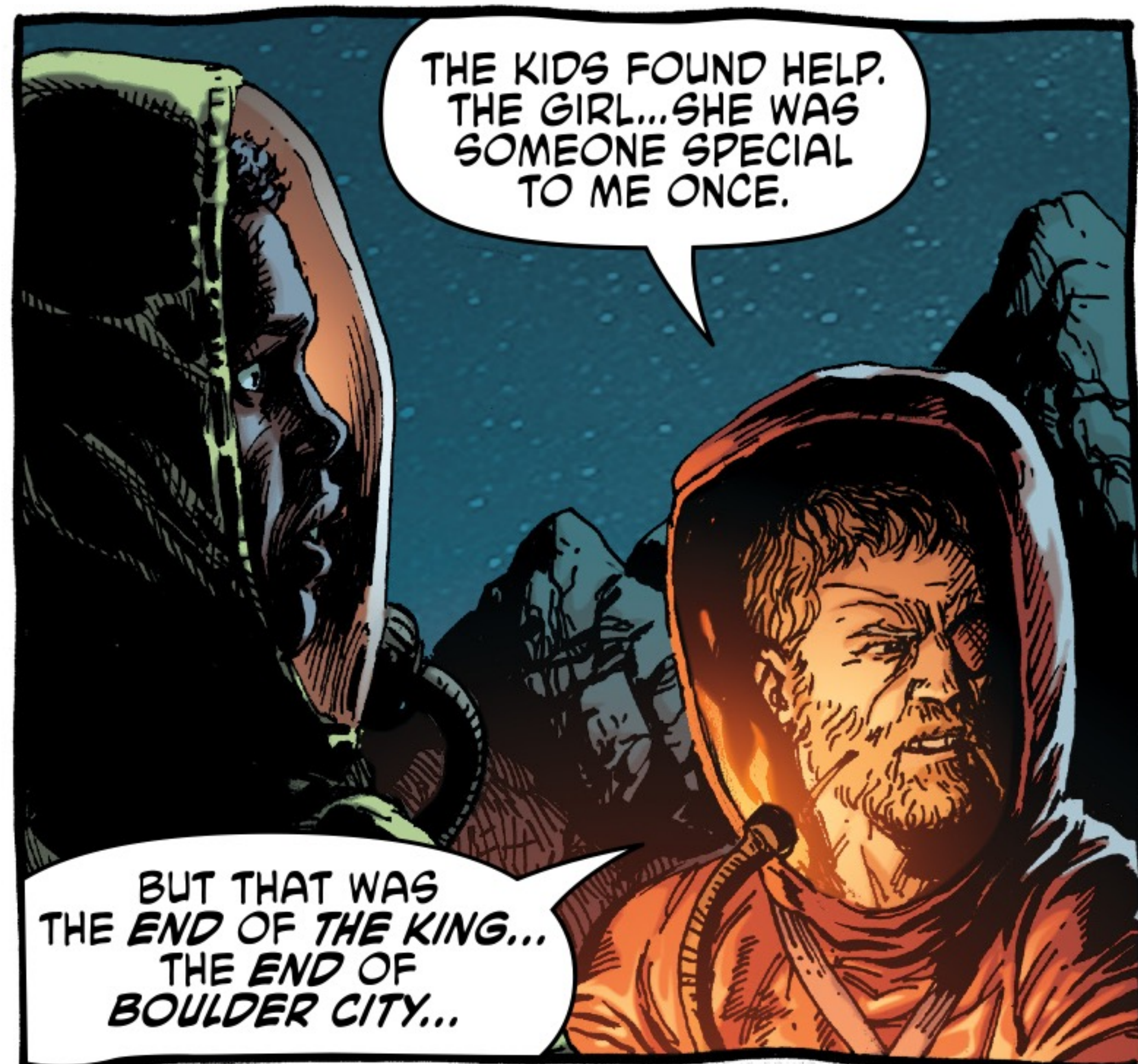
YIP



AND ALL THAT HAPPENED...
RIGHT HERE ON
THIS SPOT?

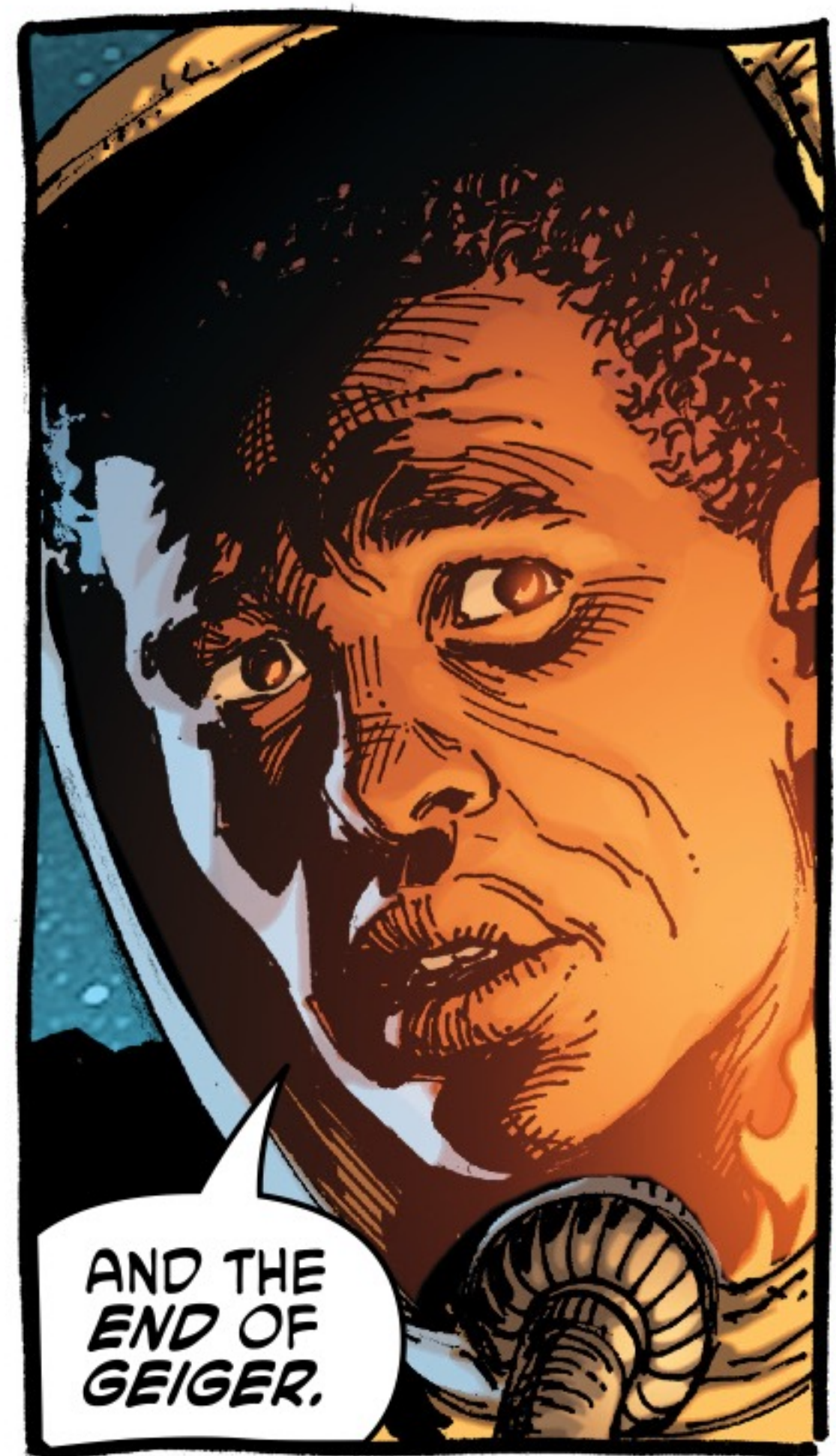
SURE
DID.

LIKE PAUL BUNYAN,
CALAMITY JANE AND
JOHN HENRY, TARIQ GEIGER
BECAME A LEGEND. A STORY
ABOUT THE LENGTHS A MAN
WENT TO PROTECT
HIS FAMILY.



THE KIDS FOUND HELP.
THE GIRL... SHE WAS
SOMEONE SPECIAL
TO ME ONCE.

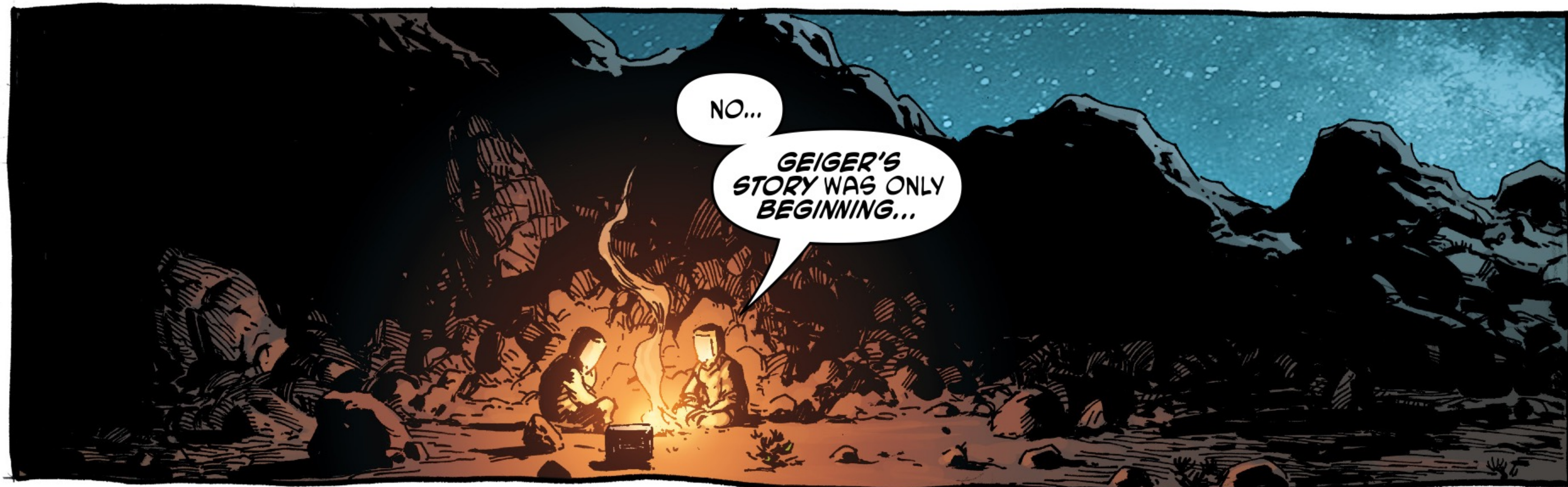
BUT THAT WAS
THE END OF THE KING...
THE END OF
BOULDER CITY...



AND THE
END OF
GEIGER.

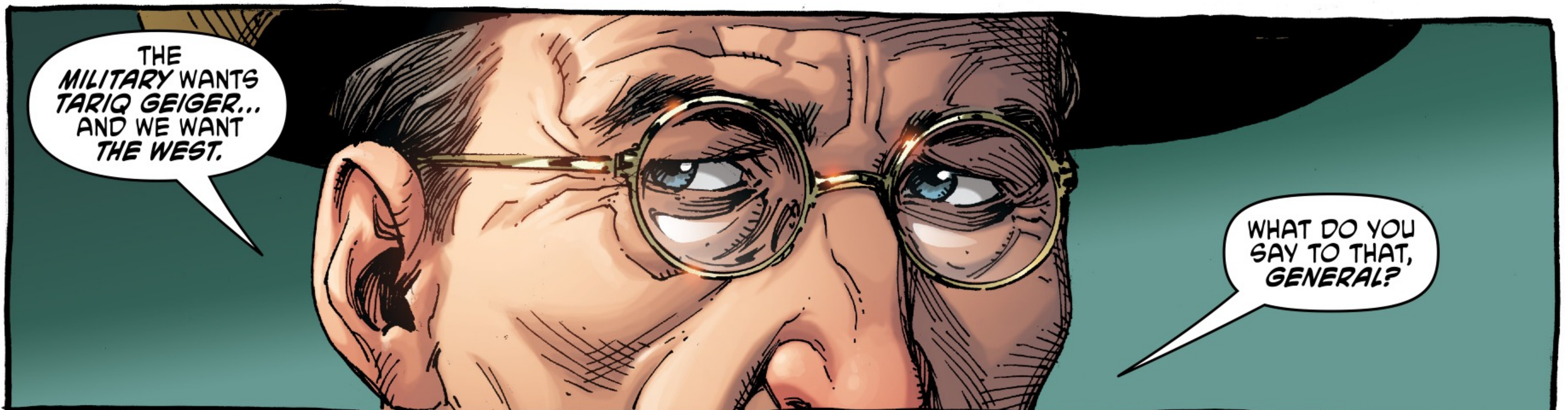
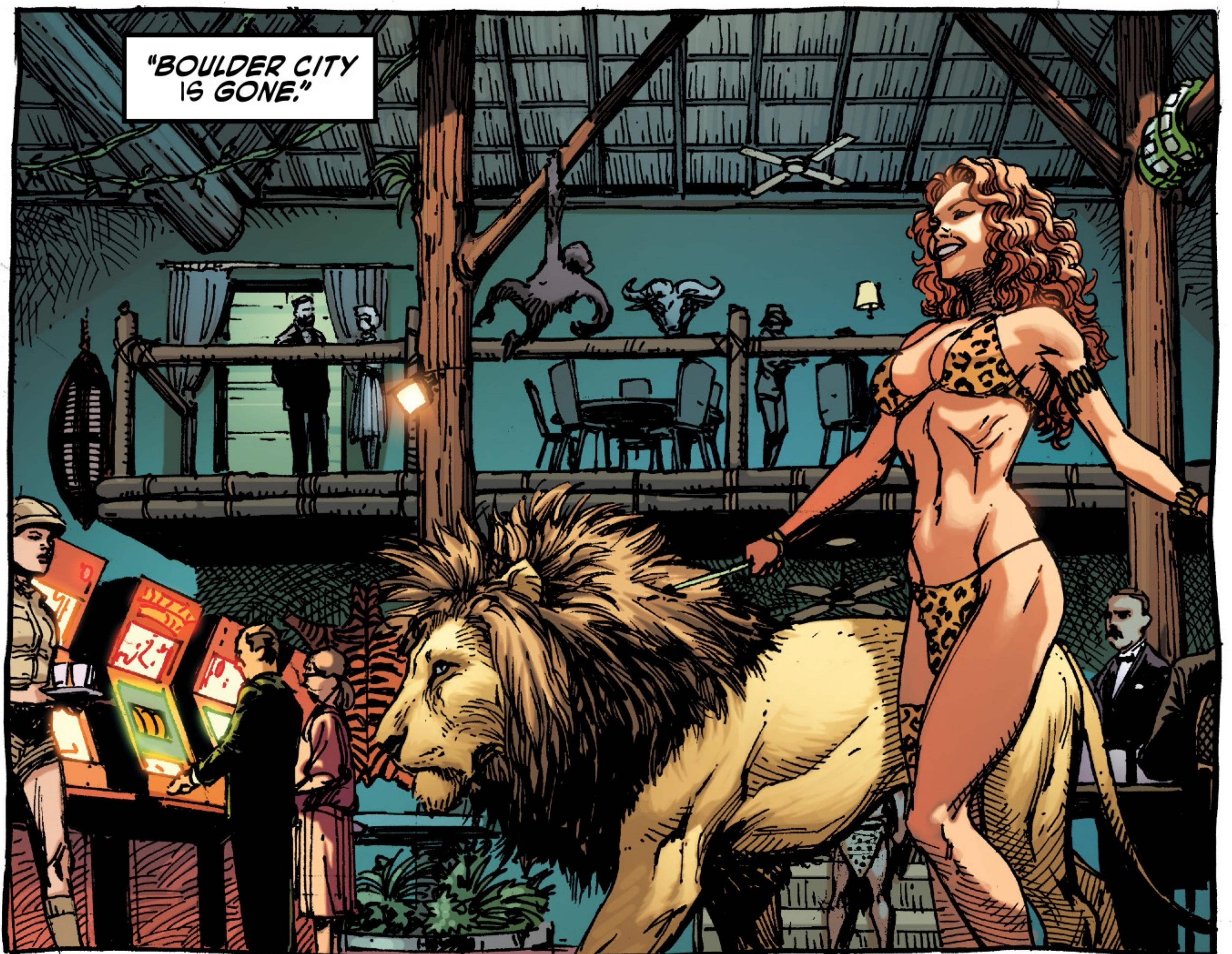


THE END
OF GEIGER
HIMSELF?



NO...

GEIGER'S
STORY WAS ONLY
BEGINNING...





END **GEIGER: VOLUME ONE**

MAD GHOST

**On behalf of Gary, myself and the whole team at MAD GHOST,
thank you for diving into the world of GEIGER.**

Gary and I have been lucky enough to work on some of the biggest superheroes in mainstream comics over our long career of collaboration, but those stories were built on characters that were already created. We came to Image to unleash a new timeline of heroes. Heroes born out of the most violent days in America; then, now and tomorrow. Their adventures take place across the history of the United States, from 1776 to 2050. In our greatest dreams we've always loved American Myths like Paul Bunyan, Calamity Jane and John Henry.

We call them The Unnamed.

GEIGER is the first of these.

This all started when my son was born. A primal instinct kicked in. A rush of adrenaline hit. And I heard these words echo in my head: *I will do anything to protect my son.* The raw emotion of that moment is forever with me.

Having children of his own, Gary and I talked about fatherhood often. What our kids were going through, how we wanted to help them. That shared fatherhood is where Geiger really began.

He will do anything to protect his family.

From there, our longtime friend and master colorist, Brad Anderson, came on board

along with the best letterer in the business, Rob Leigh, and our longtime friends and collaborators, Mad Ghost Editor Brian Cunningham and Editor Pat McCallum.

Back to the fatherhood that keeps Geiger alive. Even now, he wanders the irradiated deserts, looking for a good book to read... or a soul in need.

As we close the first volume of Geiger, Gary and I are busy at work on the next chapter of The Unnamed—JUNKYARD JOE. Joe debuted in this very issue, but we're going back in time to 1972. Back to reveal Joe's mysterious origins—from robotic soldier to cartoon character—as he seeks out his creator. It is a story born out of our desire for connection and family. A theme you'll see that connects all of these heroes.

Until then, our special GEIGER 80 pg. GIANT will be released in November, delving further into the world of Geiger and the Criminals of Vegas, with an incredible lineup of talent including Bryan Hitch, Jay Faerber, Peter J. Tomasi, Sean Galloway, Janet Harvey, Pornsak Pichetshote and many more unbelievable creators from across the industry.

Thank you again for giving our book a shot—and a big welcome to the Mad Ghost Family.

GEORGE JONES



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THE UNNAMED

THE
NORTHERNER
BEGINS HIS
HUNT

JUNKYARD
JOE
COMES ONLINE

THE
FIRST GHOST
IS CAPTURED
ON FILM

GEIGER
WALKS ACROSS
AMERICA

1776

1864

1944

1972

1997

2025

2030

2050

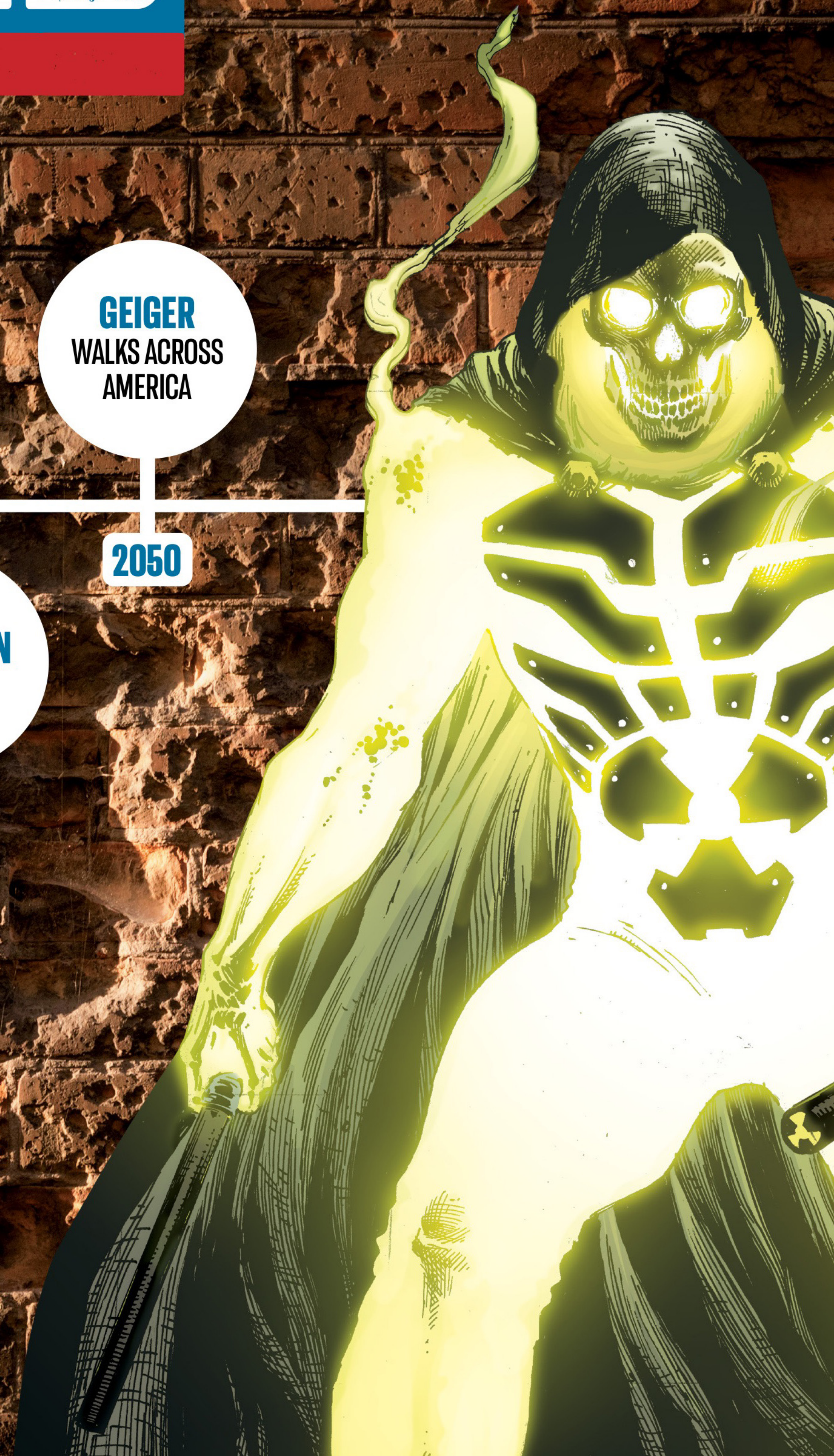
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THE
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WIDOW X
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REVENGE

THE
UNKNOWN
WAR
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Throughout history unlikely and strange heroes have risen and fallen. These men and women are a mystery, their identities and lives a secret. But for a Great Evil to be stopped, their stories must be told. From a radioactive family man in the near future to a British assassin during the American Revolution to a robotic killing machine seeking its creator — and more — they are The Unnamed fighting the Unknown War.



STARE AT
MY NOSE FOR 30
SECONDS WITHOUT
BLINKING.

THEN
LOOK AT THE
CEILING.



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On the outs



SAFARI ~~BOB~~ BOB

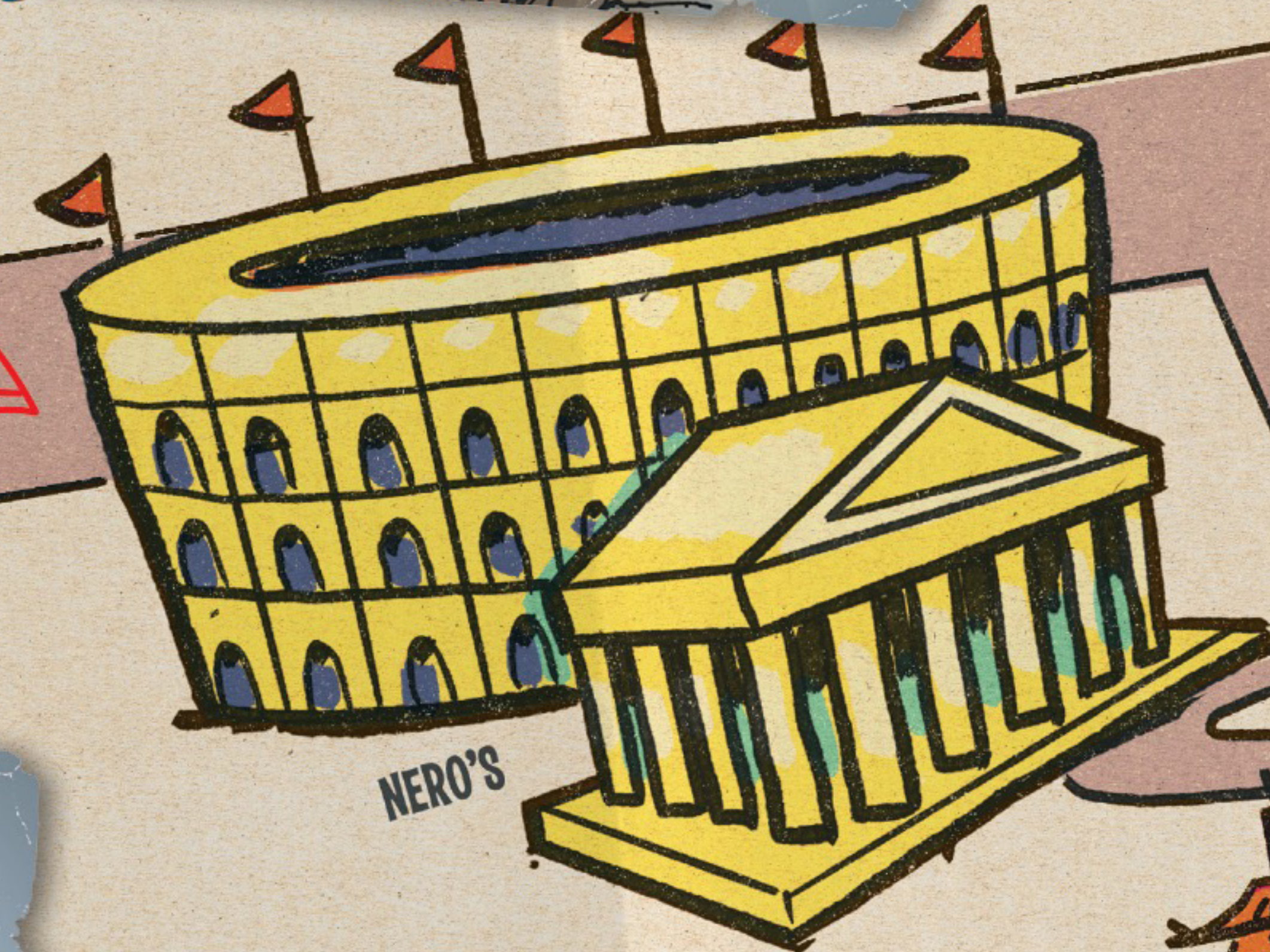
MILKY WAY
The craziest of them all



GOLDBEARD
The third? Fourth?



BONNIE BORDEN
Smart
Dangerous



NERO'S



FRONTIER



THE SAFARI



SHOOTING STAR



THE JURASSIC



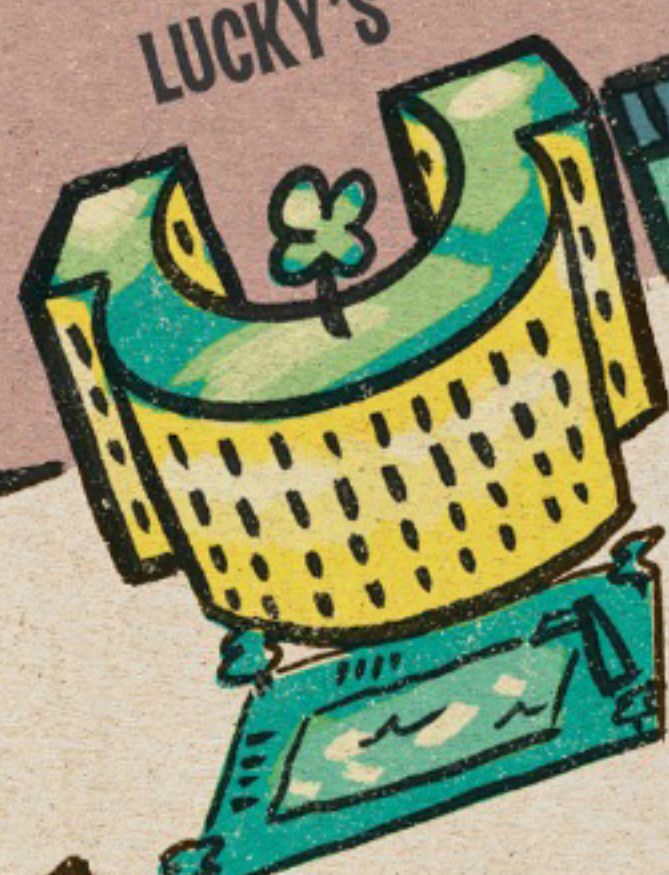
GOLDBEARD'S



WINNER'S WEST



THE RONIN



LUCKY'S

THE MINT



THE MANHATTAN



THE CAMELOT



THE KARLOFF



LIKE NO
PLACE
ELSE!

KARLOFF
Organ People Alliance



THE KING
The Prince is king?
What happened to the
old king?
Where's the Queen?





MOLOTOV
MEDICAL
GROUP

PATIENT INFORMATION

PATIENT: Geiger, Tariq

AGE: Male, 32 years

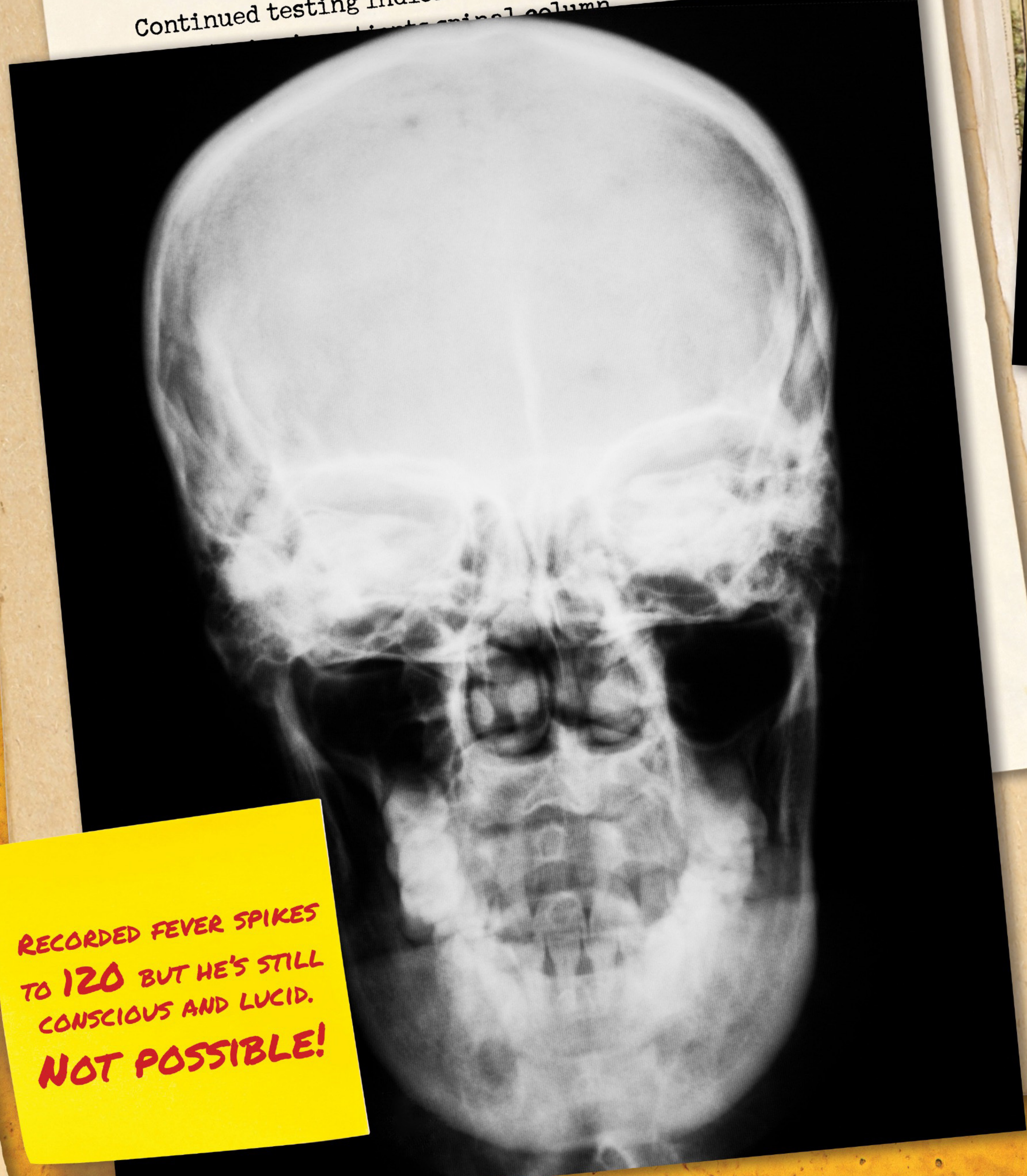
Pathology reports indicate cancer has metastasized and is present in patient's lungs, liver and kidneys.

High grade tumors show a 10% growth rate since previous examination.

Continued testing indicates strong probability cancer will



HIS ORGANS AREN'T
SHUTTING DOWN.
THEY'RE CHANGING
INTO SOMETHING ELSE.



RECORDED FEVER SPIKES
TO 120 BUT HE'S STILL
CONSCIOUS AND LUCID.
NOT POSSIBLE!



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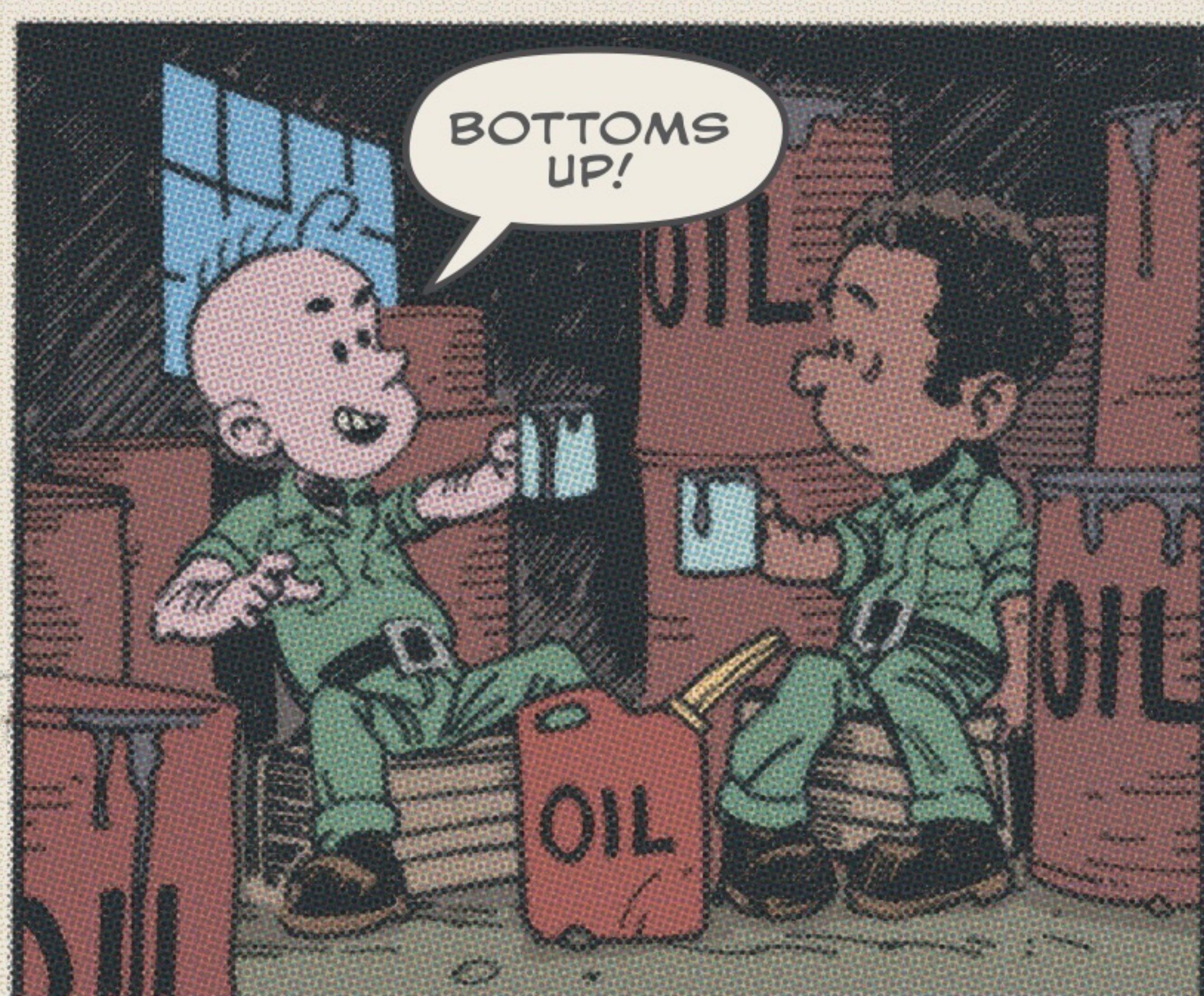
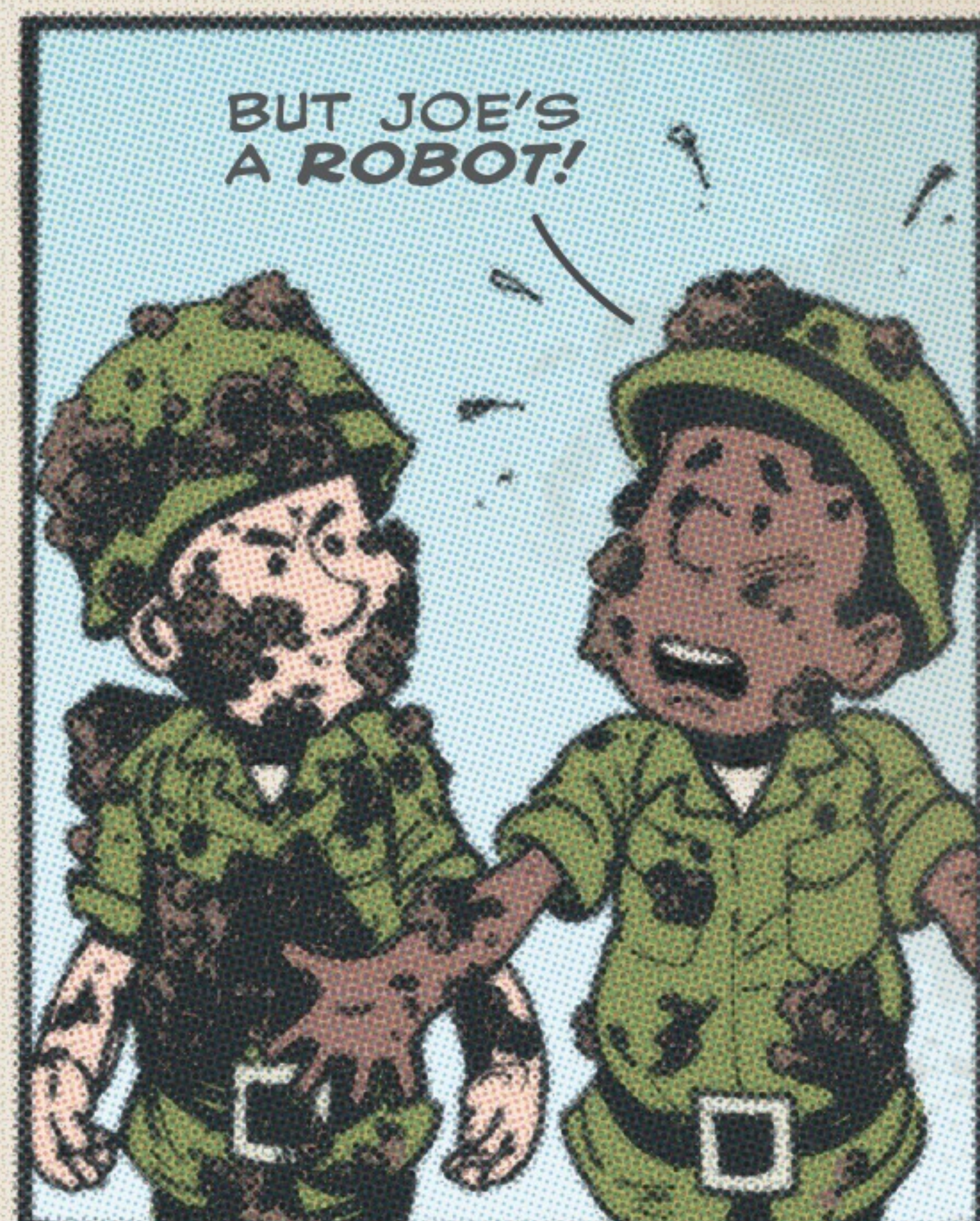
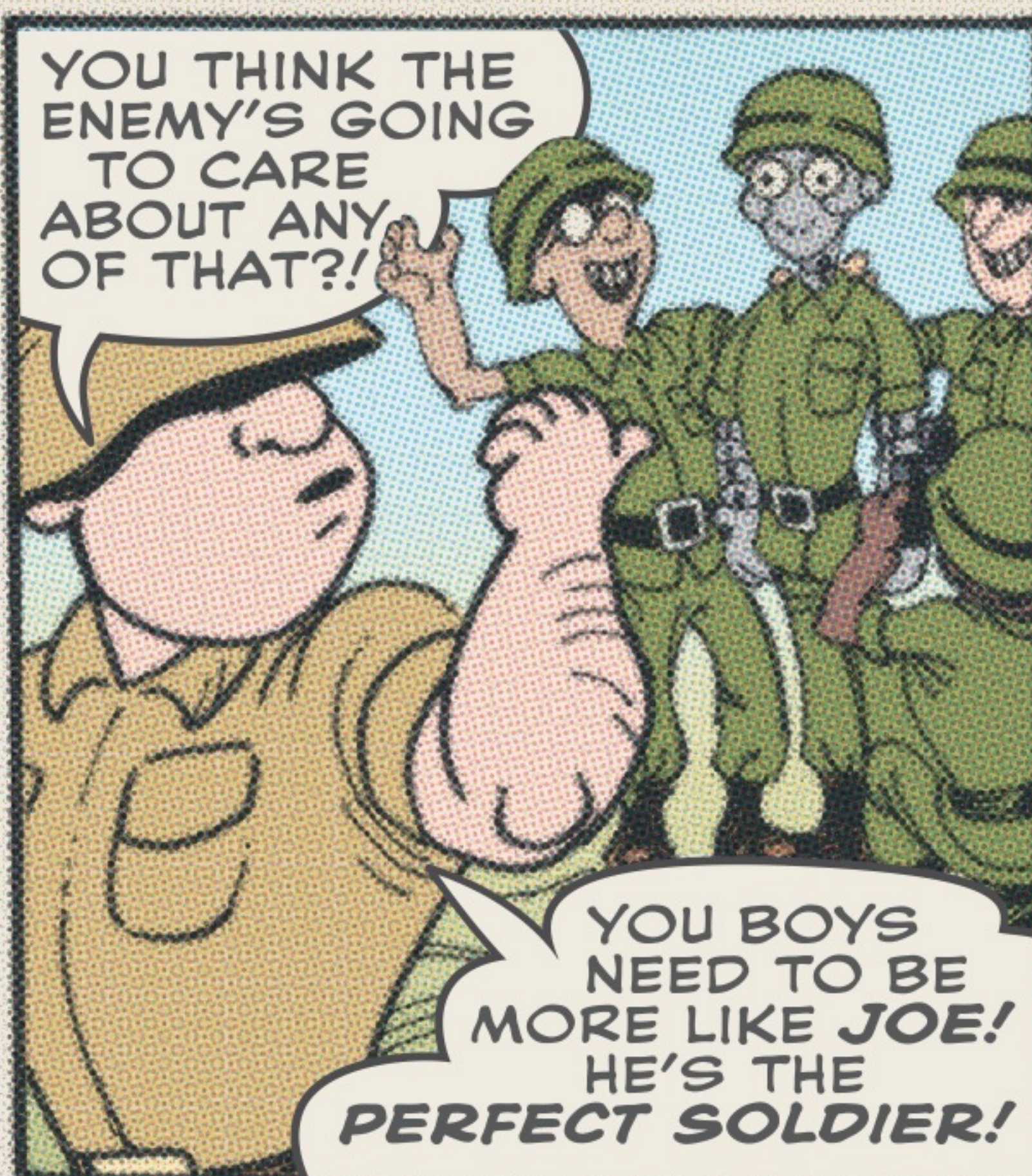
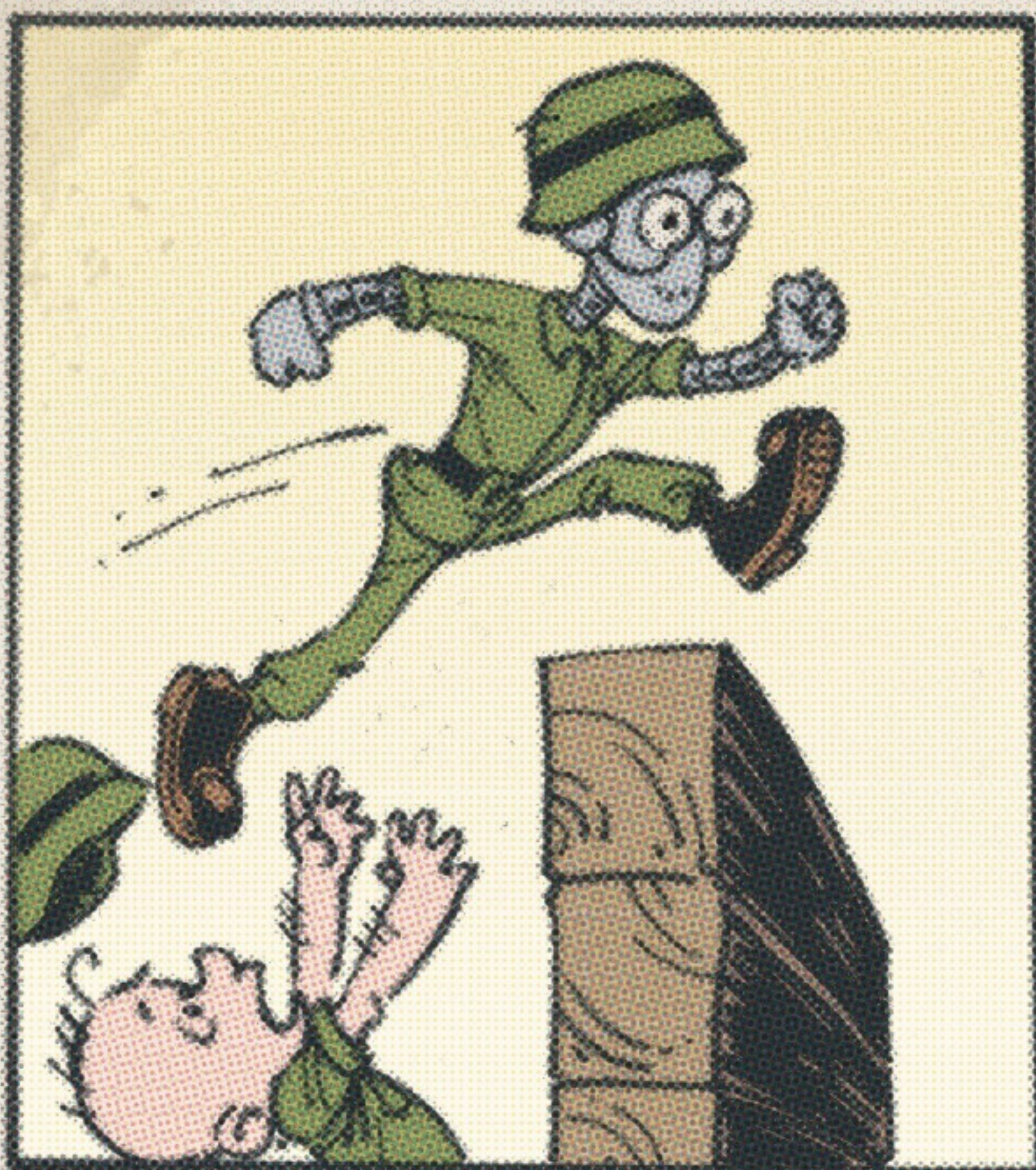
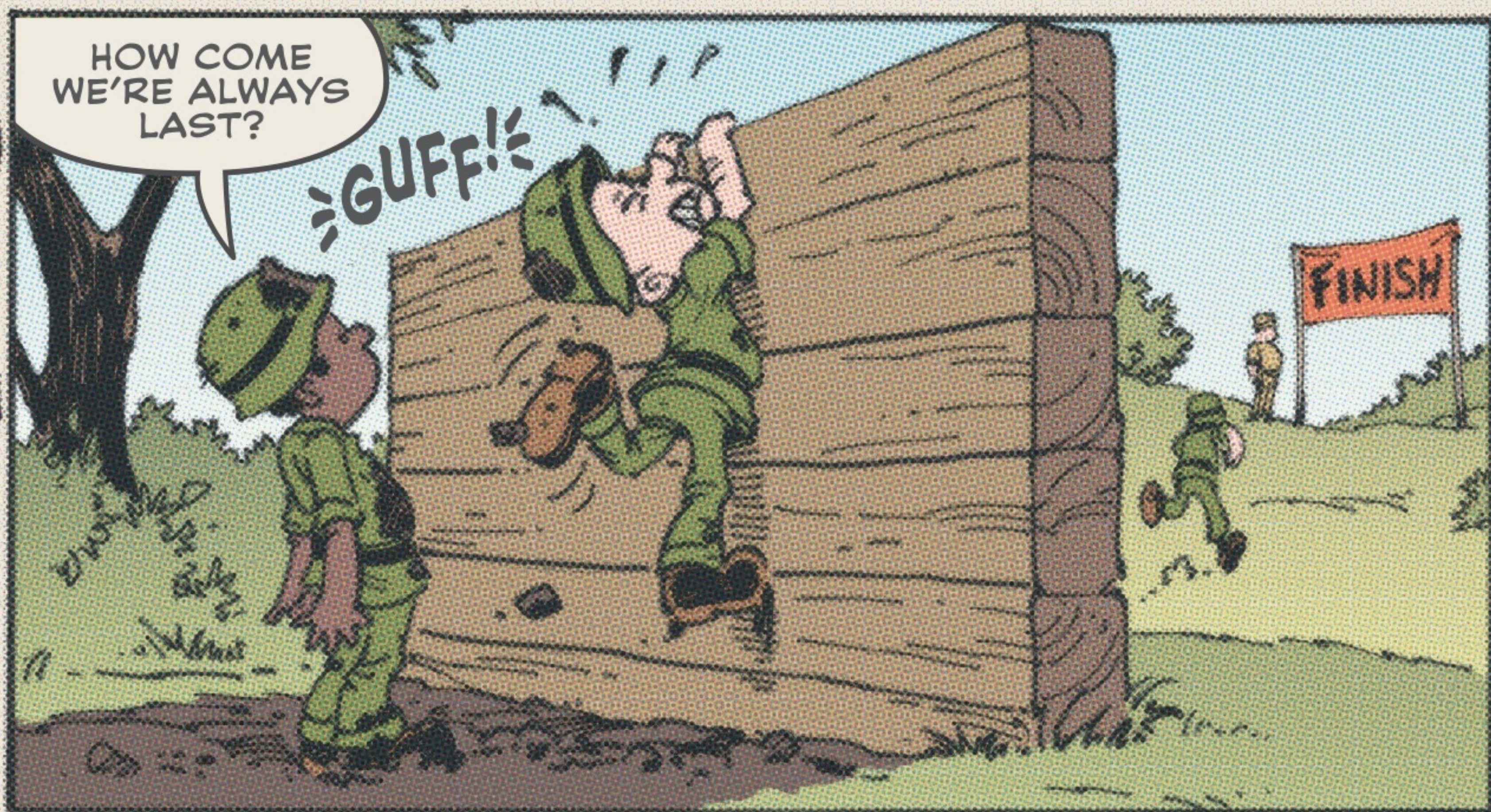




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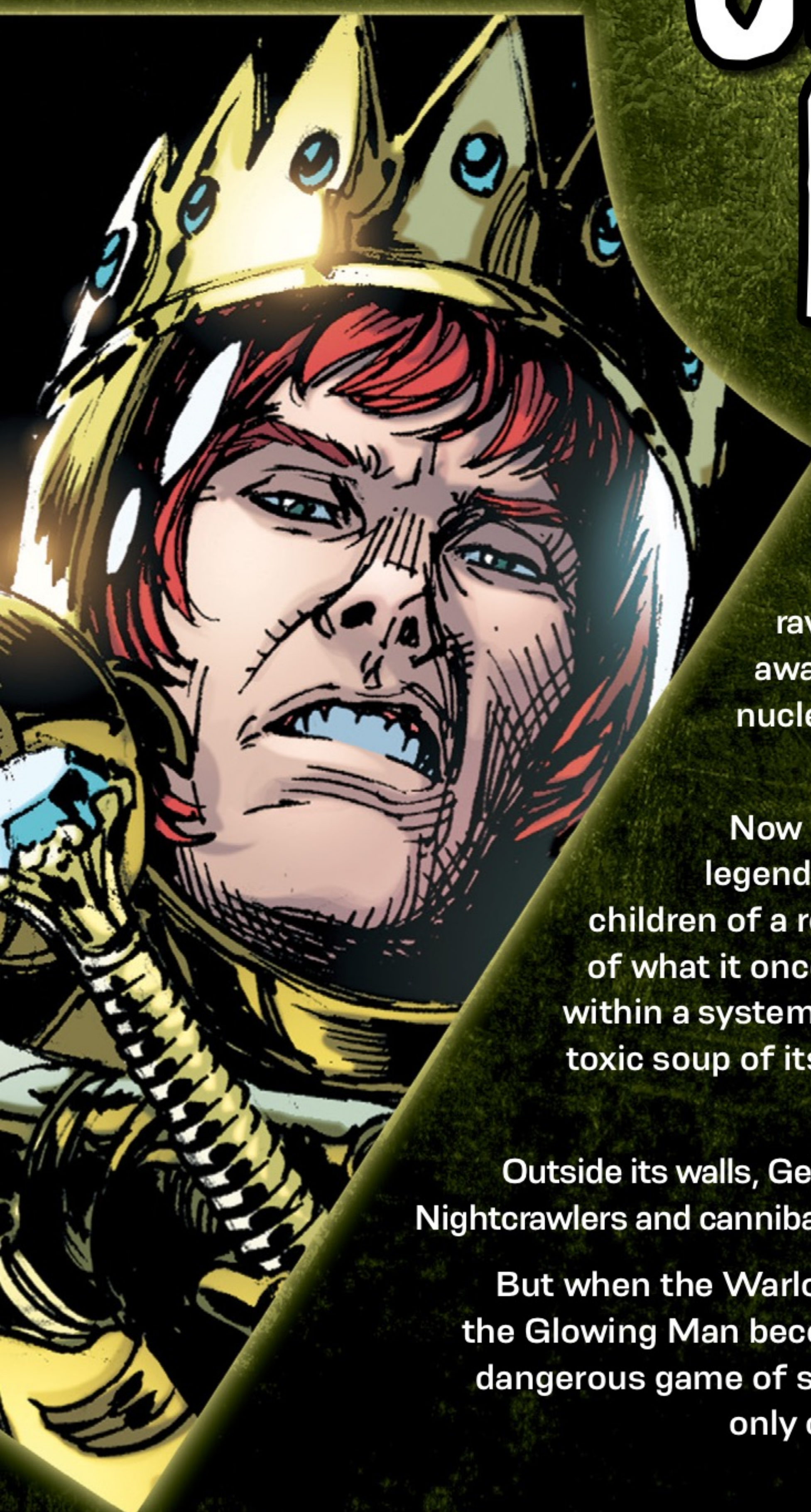
Meet Tariq Geiger, a survivor of the Unknown War of 2030, when nuclear war ravaged the planet and tore his family away from him. It also made him a living nuclear reactor with a smoldering cauldron of radioactivity inside him.

Now in 2050, Geiger has become an urban legend, a boogeyman bedtime story told to the children of a rebuilt Las Vegas. A twisted theme-park version of what it once was, ruled by ruthless Warlords, Vegas exists within a system of tunnels keeping its inhabitants safe from the toxic soup of its surrounding atmosphere. If you play your cards right, you can have a better life.

Outside its walls, Geiger just wants to be left alone while the mutated insect Nightcrawlers and cannibalistic Organ People stalk the landscape for their next victims.

But when the Warlords of Las Vegas draw Geiger into their power plays, the Glowing Man becomes an unwitting protector of two young orphans in a dangerous game of survival. And we soon discover the Warlords aren't the only ones interested in eliminating Geiger...

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